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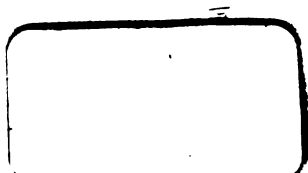
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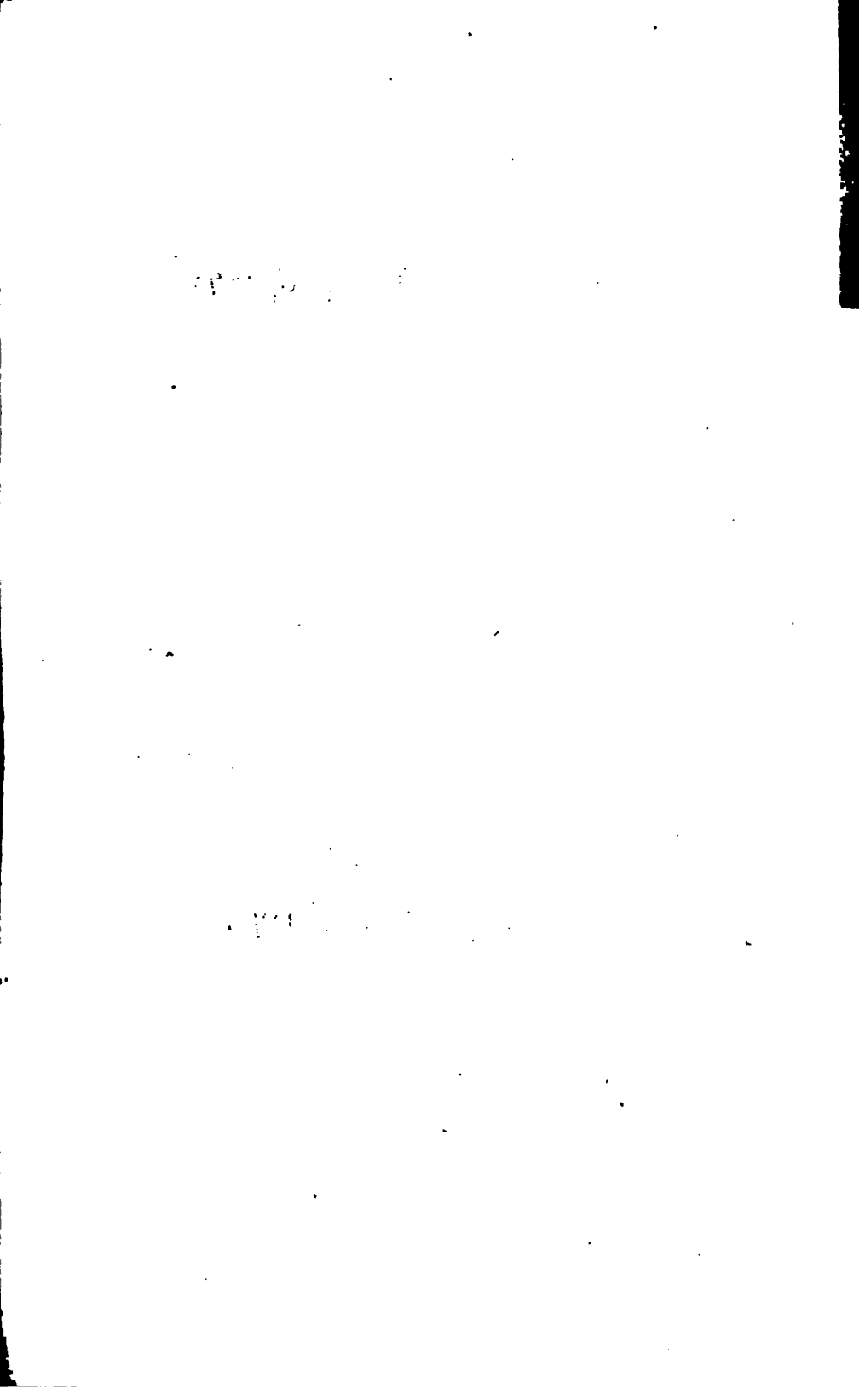


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OF

## Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

OF THE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR THE YEAR

1893.

### SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS:

FEBRUARY 7; APRIL 5; JUNE 28; AUGUST 1; OCTOBER 24;  
NOVEMBER 15; DECEMBER 5.

### QUARTERLY COMMUNICATIONS:

MARCH 8; JUNE 14; SEPTEMBER 13; DECEMBER 13 (ANNUAL).

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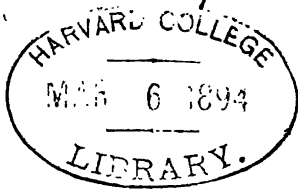
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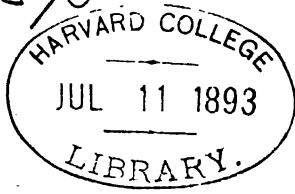
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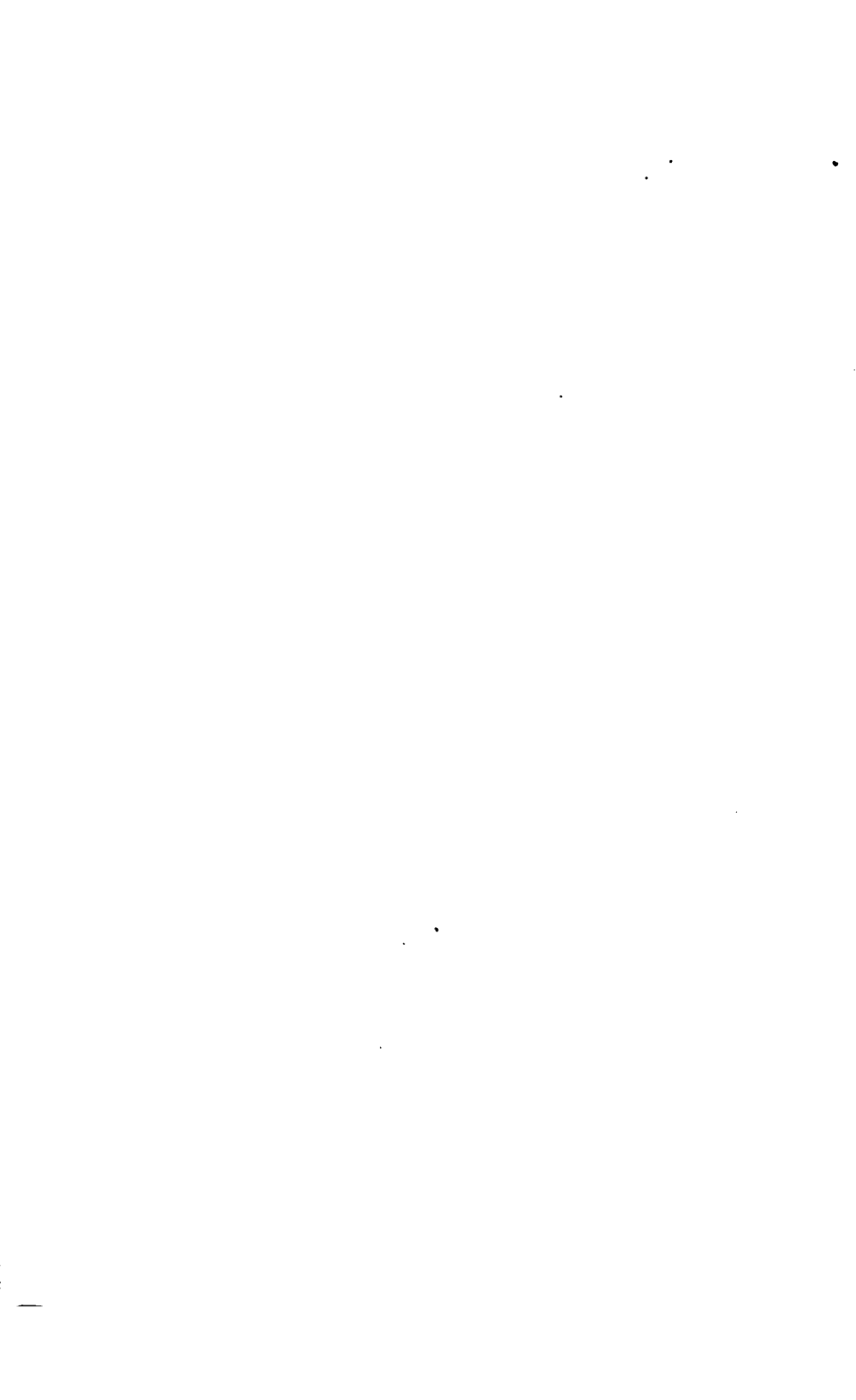




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# Abstract of Proceedings

OF THE

## GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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### SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT WINTHROP.

FEBRUARY 7, A.L. 5893.

#### DEDICATION OF MASONIC HALL.

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in the town of Winthrop, on Tuesday, the seventh day of February, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893, for the purpose of dedicating the new Masonic apartments of Winthrop Lodge.

#### GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD	. . .	Deputy Grand Master.
" FRANK T. DWINELL	. . .	as Special Deputy Grand Master.
" JAMES TAYLOR	. . . .	Senior Grand Warden.
" HENRY G. FAY	. . . .	as Junior Grand Warden.
" JOHN CARR	. . . .	Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON	. . .	Recording Grand Secretary.
" JOHN STALKER	. . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 3.

W.	REV. CHARLES A. SKINNER	. . .	Grand Chaplain.
"	CHARLES E. PHIPPS	. . . . .	Grand Marshal.
"	GIFFORD H. G. MCGREW	. . . . .	Grand Lecturer.
"	CHARLES W. PARMENTER	. . . . .	Senior Grand Deacon.
"	HENRY S. ROWE	. . . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
"	CLARENCE O. WALKER,	}	Grand Stewards.
"	WALTER F. LANSIL,		
"	DANIEL G. CRANDON	. . . . .	as Grand Sword-Bearer.
Bro.	JOHN H. CHESTER	. . . . .	Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FORM, in one of the ante-rooms adjoining the new Hall, at fifteen minutes after four o'clock, P.M. A committee of Past and Present Masters, of which W. Bro. Charles G. Bird was chairman, was then introduced, and conducted the Grand Officers to the Lodge-room, where the members of Winthrop Lodge, and a large number of visiting Brethren, were assembled in due Masonic form. The Deputy Grand Master was cordially welcomed by the W. Master, Bro. Lewis A. Wallon, who resigned to him the Oriental Chair, the other Grand Officers at the same time assuming their appropriate stations.

The Apollo Quartette sang the Dedication Ode:

"Hark! hark! to the voices exulting that rise."

Prayer was offered by W. Rev. Charles A. Skinner, Grand Chaplain. The working tools

were surrendered by Bro. Frank W. Tucker, a member of the Building Committee, representing the Architect; and the usual examination of the new apartments was made by the Grand Officers.

The report being satisfactory, the R.W. Deputy Grand Master proceeded to solemnly dedicate the Hall to Freemasonry, to Virtue, and to Universal Benevolence, in accordance with ancient form and usage, and the ritual of this Grand Lodge; and the Grand Marshal made proclamation accordingly.

The R.W. Deputy Grand Master delivered the appropriate and impressive Charge, prepared for such occasions by M.W. Paul Revere, when Grand Master.

The W. Master, Bro. Lewis A. Wallon, then addressed the Chair, expressing the sincere regret of all the Brethren that the M.W. Grand Master had been prevented by sickness from participating in these interesting ceremonies. While they also regretted that the inclemency of the weather deprived them of the presence of R.W. Bro. Henry Endicott, whom the Brethren were wont to call the "Father of the Lodge," the following graceful and welcome

letter from him somewhat compensated for his absence:

CAMBRIDGE, Feb. 1, 1893.

MY DEAR BROTHER BRIGGS: It is a matter of real regret to me that I cannot accept your kind invitation, to accompany you to Winthrop Lodge next Tuesday and share in the ceremonies of the Dedication. I have always had an especial interest in the fortunes of that Lodge, and I should be glad to congratulate its officers and members personally on the prosperity that has attended their efforts. Since that pleasure is forbidden to me, may I ask you to convey to them some expression of my rejoicing at their success and my cordial good wishes for their future.

I remember well the time when their application was made for a Dispensation, and the doubts and misgivings in some minds, which seemed to discourage the undertaking. The history of the Lodge since that time, its record of work accomplished, and the hopeful promise of its present standing, have more than vindicated the trust then reposed in its founders; and it is a matter of satisfaction to me to have had a certain connection with the Lodge from its beginning. But my interest in its welfare needs no justification. The members of the Lodge have been enabled to provide a beautiful and commodious home for themselves, which shall stand as honorable testimony to their fidelity of purpose and the harmony by which alone all permanent results are attainable. May it be to them all they have hoped, and more. As they meet here month after month, and year after year, may the noble ideal of

Masonry, to which their efforts have consecrated it, grow ever more distinct and clear before their vision; and may it prove more useful and dear with each recurring anniversary of the day on which it was dedicated.

With renewed congratulations and good wishes,

I am always faithfully yours,

HENRY ENDICOTT.

A closing hymn was sung, the benediction was pronounced, the R.W. Deputy Grand Master resigned the chair to the W. Master, and the Grand Officers were escorted by the committee to the place of opening, where the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM, at half-past five o'clock P.M.

The company were then invited to a bounteous collation, of which all seemed to partake with great satisfaction. An hour and a half was passed in this way and in agreeable, social intercourse with the members of the Lodge and their visitors. The congratulations were cordial and unanimous upon the wonderful energy and zeal displayed by this young Lodge, and the equally wonderful results achieved.

Attest:

*Sereno D. Nickerson.*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

MARCH 8, A.L. 5893.

A QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at the Masonic Temple, in the city of Boston, on Wednesday, the eighth day of March, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893.

### GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

M.W. RICHARD BRIGGS . . . . .	Grand Master.
R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD . . . . .	Deputy Grand Master.
" JAMES TAYLOR . . . . .	Senior Grand Warden.
" GEORGE H. RHODES . . . . .	<i>as</i> Junior Grand Warden.
" JOHN CARR . . . . .	Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON . . . . .	Recording Grand Secretary.
" S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . . . . .	Cor. Grand Secretary.
" BENJAMIN L. M. TOWER . . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 1.
" FRANK VOSE . . . . .	" " " " 2.
" JOHN STALKER . . . . .	" " " " 3.
" HENRY B. CHANDLER . . . . .	" " " " 4.
" THOMAS M. DURELL . . . . .	" " " " 6.
" WILLIAM F. CHESTER . . . . .	" " " " 7.
" EDWARD A. FITTS . . . . .	" " " " 10.
" FRANK L. WEAVER . . . . .	" " " " 11.
" GEORGE H. FOYE . . . . .	" " " " 12.
" DAVID T. REMINGTON . . . . .	" " " " 13.
" FRED E. WHITE . . . . .	" " " " 14.
" JOHN E. BRONSON . . . . .	" " " " 16.
" LOVELL L. GAGE . . . . .	" " " " 17.



R.W.	FREDERIC W. SOUTHWICK	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 18.
"	LESTER H. CUDWORTH . . .	" " " " 19.
"	JOHN H. BALCOM . . .	" " " " 20.
"	LEWIS M. PALMER . . .	" " " " 21.
"	FRANCIS D. DUNBAR . . .	" " " " 22.
"	EDWARD R. PRICE . . .	" " " " 23.
"	HERBERT I. MITCHELL . . .	" " " " 24.
"	CHARLES T. BURR . . .	" " " " 25.
"	FREDERICK A. BRADFORD . . .	" " " " 26.
"	JOHN HUXTABLE . . .	" " " " 27.
"	OLIVER H. LINNELL . . .	" " " " 28.
W.	RICHARD W. SUTTON . . .	as Grand Marshal.
"	GIFFORD H. G. MCGREW . . .	Grand Lecturer.
"	CHARLES W. PARMENTER . . .	Senior Grand Deacon.
"	HENRY S. ROWE . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
"	CLARKE P. HARDING . . .	Senior Grand Steward.
"	CHARLES W. DRAKE, }	Junior Grand Stewards.
"	WALTER F. LANSIL, }	
"	Z. L. BICKNELL . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
"	HENRY D. DUPEE, }	Grand Pursuivants.
"	CHARLES W. DAME, }	
Bro.	HOWARD M. DOW . . .	Grand Organist.
"	JOHN H. CHESTER . . .	Grand Tyler.

## PERMANENT MEMBERS PRESENT:

R.W.	CHARLES C. DAME . . .	Past Grand Master.
"	SAMUEL WELLS . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES LEVI WOODBURY . . .	Past Deputy Grand Master.
"	BENJAMIN A. GOULD . . .	" " "
"	FRANK T. DWINELL . . .	" " "
"	WILLIAM H. CHESSMAN . . .	Past Grand Warden.
"	BAALIS SANFORD . . .	" " "
"	JAMES M. GLEASON . . .	" " "
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"	CHARLES I. LITCHFIELD . . .	" " "
"	WYZEMAN MARSHALL . . .	" " "
"	GEORGE H. TABER . . .	" " "
"	E. WATERS BURR . . .	" " "

R. W. LUCIUS W. LOVELL . . . .	Past Grand Warden.
" NATHAN S. KIMBALL . . . .	" " "
" THOMAS W. DAVIS . . . .	" " "
" WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . . .	" " "
" CHARLES HARRIS . . . .	" " "
" DANA J. FLANDERS . . . .	" " "
" J. ALBERT BLAKE . . . .	" " "
W. CHARLES C. HUTCHINSON . .	Of the Board of Directors.
" EDWIN B. HOLMES . . . .	" " "
" CHARLES T. GALLAGHER . .	Commissioner of Trials.
" EUGENE F. ENDICOTT . . . .	Of Auditing Committee.

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	Jos. K. Knight	Senior Warden.
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	Fred'k W. Derbyshire	Junior Warden.

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	Chas. C. Dodge . . .	Junior Warden.
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	Benj. F. Tripp . . .	Proxy.
MERIDIAN . . . . .	Elwin C. Huntoon . .	Master.
MIZPAH . . . . .	Albert K. Hebard . . .	Master.
MONITOR . . . . .	Alonzo S. Locke . . .	Master.
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	Robert W. Clifford . .	Junior Warden.
MONTGOMERY . . . .	Herbert A. Greeley . .	Master.
MORNING SUN . . . .	Chas. Parsons . . . .	Proxy.
MOAIC . . . . .	Wendell P. Patch . . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT CARMEL . . . .	Josiah F. Kimball . . .	Master.
	Benj. F. Arrington . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT HERMON . . . .	J. Gilman Waite . . .	Master.
MOUNT HOPE . . . . .	Samuel Smith . . . .	Junior Warden.
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	Winslow Goodwin . . .	Junior Warden.
SAINT PAUL . . . . .	E. Dana Bancroft . . .	Proxy.
SAINT PAUL'S . . . .	Geo. F. W. Richmond . .	Master.
	Benj. O. Dana . . . .	Senior Warden.

SATUCKET . . . . .	Prescott H. Pratt . .	Senior Warden.
	Frederic S. Strong .	Proxy.
SATUIT . . . . .	Charles R. Folsom .	Master.
	Nehemiah T. Merritt .	Proxy.
SILOAM . . . . .	Frank W. Bullard . .	Proxy.
SOLEY . . . . .	Geo. W. Perkins . .	Master.
STAR . . . . .	John E. French . .	Senior Warden.
STAR IN THE EAST .	Bartholomew Otheman	Master.
	Peleg H. S. W. Allen	Senior Warden.
	John L. G. Mason .	Junior Warden.
TEMPLE . . . . .	Frank H. Parker . .	Master.
THOMAS . . . . .	Charles T. Brainard .	Master.
THOMAS TALBOT . .	Arthur W. Holden .	Junior Warden.
UNION (Dorchester) .	Arthur H. Littlefield .	Master.
	Harry G. Howe . . .	Junior Warden.
UNITED BRETHREN .	Geo. A. Stacy . . .	Master.
WASHINGTON . . .	Albert E. Carr . . .	Master.
WEBSTER . . . . .	Elias P. Morton . . .	Proxy.
WILLIAM PARKMAN .	John H. Winchenbach	Master.
WILLIAM SUTTON . .	Fred. C. Newhall . .	Master.
	Henry J. Mills . . .	Proxy.
WINSLOW LEWIS . .	Daniel J. Strain . .	Master.
	Wm. G. Shillaber . .	Senior Warden.
	Horace M. Lothrop .	Junior Warden.
WINTHROP . . . . .	Lewis A. Wallon . .	Master.
WYOMING . . . . .	William A. Waterhouse	Master.
ZETLAND . . . . .	Frank W. Wise . . .	Master.
	Horace A. Wallingford	Senior Warden.

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM, at two o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Gifford H. G. McGrew, Grand Lecturer.

The Record of the Special Communication at Winthrop, Feb. 7, 1893, was read and approved.

## PROXIES RECOGNIZED.

Proxies from the following-named Lodges were presented, and, being found in form, the Brethren designated were duly recognized:

AMITY LODGE, Danvers, in favor of W. Bro. CHARLES O. HOOD.

BETHANY LODGE, Merrimac, in favor of W. Bro. WM. F. WARD.

CORINTHIAN LODGE, Concord, in favor of R.W. Bro. CHARLES E. BROWN.

DE WITT CLINTON LODGE, Sandwich, in favor of Bro. THEODORE L. SOUTHACK.

FELLOWSHIP LODGE, Bridgewater, in favor of W. Bro. WARREN K. CHURCHILL.

GRECIAN LODGE, Lawrence, in favor of W. Bro. CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD.

HAYDEN LODGE, Brookfield, in favor of W. Bro. WM. F. HAYDEN.

KING DAVID LODGE, Taunton, in favor of W. Bro. MARCUS A. DARY.

LIBERTY LODGE, Beverly, in favor of W. Bro. JOHN F. HILL.

MAY FLOWER LODGE, Middleboro', in favor of W. Bro. BENJ. F. TRIPP.

MONITOR LODGE, Waltham, in favor of W. Bro. FRANK K. PORTER.

MORNING SUN LODGE, Conway, in favor of R.W. Bro. CHARLES PARSONS.

NORFOLK UNION LODGE, Randolph, in favor of R.W. Bro. HENRY A. BELCHER.

ORPHAN'S HOPE LODGE, Weymouth, in favor of W. Bro. WM. HUMPHREY.

PALESTINE LODGE, Everett, in favor of R.W. Bro. COLUMBUS COREY.

PAUL DEAN LODGE, North Easton, in favor of R.W. Bro. JOHN H. SWAIN.

PLYMOUTH LODGE, Plymouth, in favor of W. Bro. HENRY H. LITCHFIELD.

RISING STAR LODGE, Stoughton, in favor of R.W. Bro. GEORGE F. WALKER.

SAGGAHEW LODGE, Haverhill, in favor of W. Bro. EDWIN W. ANDREWS.

SAINT JOHN'S LODGE, Chili, in favor of W. Bro. JOHN L. STEVENSON.

SAINT PAUL LODGE, Ayer, in favor of W. Bro. E. DANA BANCROFT.

SATUCKET LODGE, East Bridgewater, in favor of W. Bro. FREDERIC S. STRONG.

SATUIT LODGE, Scituate, in favor of W. Bro. NEHEMIAH T. MERRITT.

SILOAM LODGE, Westboro', in favor of Bro. FRANK W. BULLARD.

WEBSTER LODGE, Webster, in favor of R.W. Bro. ELIAS P. MORTON.

WILLIAM SUTTON LODGE, Saugus, in favor of R.W. Bro. HENRY J. MILLS.

#### GRAND LODGE OF OKLAHOMA TERRITORY.

The Recording Grand Secretary presented a letter from Bro. A. J. Spengel, dated Guthrie, Oklahoma, Feb. 6, 1893, giving in detail the proceedings attending the organization of a Masonic Body, styled "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Oklahoma Territory," and requesting recognition by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. The subject was referred to a committee consisting of R.W. Brothers Charles C. Dame, Charles H. Norris and Benjamin L. M. Tower.



## INSTALLATION.

R.W. John H. Balcom, District Deputy Grand Master of the Twentieth Masonic District, and R.W. Frederick A. Bradford, District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-sixth Masonic District, were installed in their respective offices in AMPLE FORM.

## REPORT ON AMENDMENT TO GRAND CONSTITUTIONS.

R. W. Thomas W. Davis presented the following report:

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, March 8, 1893.

At the Quarterly Communication in September last, it was proposed to amend Part IV., Article III., of the Grand Constitutions, by adding a new Section, viz.:

Sect. 11. The fees for initiating, crafting and raising shall entitle the applicant to membership in the Lodge in which the application is made, without further charge or ballot.

The committee to whom the Amendment was referred respectfully report that they believe the principle therein embodied should receive the approval of the Grand Lodge.

Under the jurisdiction of every other Grand Lodge in the northern part of the United States, candidates raised to the degree of Master Mason become thereby entitled to membership in the Lodge which elected them to receive the degrees. Even the formality of signing the By-Laws is not required by some of these Grand Lodges.

Your committee are not able to speak definitely as to the Constitutional provisions, or the prevailing practice, in the southern portion of the United States, but it is certain that in some jurisdictions, notably Virginia, Louisiana and Tennessee, the reception of the third degree carries with it the right of membership.

The Grand Lodge of England, and the Grand Lodges of the British Provinces, under whose jurisdiction business is transacted in Entered Apprentices' Lodges, admit to membership all candidates as soon as initiated, unless they express a desire to the contrary. The reason for this course is concisely stated by the Grand Lodge of England: "As no Lodge should introduce into Masonry a person whom the Brethren consider unfit to be a member of their own Lodge."

Massachusetts is the only exception to the well-defined rule upon this subject among the northern jurisdictions; but it is already the practice in more than six-sevenths of the Lodges in this Commonwealth to admit to membership, without further fee or ballot, the candidates upon whom they confer the third degree. The number of Lodges which take a ballot on the proposition for membership of candidates of their own making is less than twenty, and in a majority of the Lodges which do not admit their candidates at once to membership, the fee required is a nominal one.

So far as your committee have been able to ascertain, the objections to the change proposed by the Amendment are two in number. First, that the additional fee for membership is, in most cases, needed by the Lodge, and,

secondly, that the additional opportunity now afforded for careful scrutiny of the candidate may be the means of preventing the admission of a troublesome or unworthy member. Your committee respectfully suggest that the first objection can be removed by adding the fee for membership to that required for the degrees.

The second objection does not seem to be well founded. The members of a Lodge should be as careful in making a man a member of the Institution as in admitting him to their own especial fellowship. If the candidate is unworthy, it should have been ascertained before he was elected to receive the degrees; or, if his unworthiness is afterwards discovered, it is competent for objection to his advancement to be made for cause at any time. The power of excluding the candidate from membership, in the Body which has already passed upon his merits, should not reside in a single individual. Were the members to avail themselves to any extent of the opportunity offered by the second ballot, the result would be the creation of an unaffiliated class inside the Fraternity, holding little or no allegiance to it, because prevented by causes beyond their own control, or that of the Body itself, from becoming working and contributing members. They would be intrusted with the secrets of the Order, while they would be deprived of any material share in its privileges. The reputation of the Fraternity at large would be called upon to bear the burden of their possible misconduct, while they would be subject to punishment only for the graver Masonic offences, those for which expulsion from the Order is the only fitting penalty. It should not be

the policy of the Grand Lodge—the governing Body—to favor in any way the existence of such an element.

Nearly forty years ago, the evil was seen and deprecated by the Grand Master of Masons in this Commonwealth. In his Annual Address, Dec. 27, 1853, R.W. Rev. George M. Randall used the following words:

“A Lodge feels at liberty to initiate without limit, but at the same time it most carefully restricts the number of its members. While the vote to give the degrees to certain candidates is decided without hesitation in the affirmative, the question on admitting these same persons to membership would be decided as promptly in the negative. A safe rule for all to adopt would be not to give the degrees to any candidate with whom they are not willing to associate as a member of the same Lodge. The distinction now so common between being made a Mason in a certain Lodge, and being a member of the Lodge, tends to promote the evil which it becomes us to avoid.”

It may fairly be questioned, whether the liberty of practice allowed to the Lodges in this jurisdiction is not in violation of the ancient landmarks of the Order. R. W. Albert G. Mackey, the great American lexicographer of Freemasonry, states, as one of twenty-five landmarks: “12. The right of every Mason to be represented in all general meetings of the Craft, and to instruct his representatives.” In treating of the subject of membership, he uses these words: “The first right which a Mason acquires, after the reception of the third degree, is that of claiming membership in the Lodge in which he

has been initiated. The very fact of his having received that degree makes him at once an inchoate member of the Lodge, that is to say, no further application is necessary and no new ballot is required."

Since no Masonic writer of equal authority maintains a contrary position, it seems unnecessary to continue the argument, except to say, that in the opinion of your committee, the imposition of an additional fee, like the taking of a ballot for membership, may be made the means of exclusion from those rights which it is the privilege of every newly-made Master Mason to claim.

It cannot be fairly charged against the Grand Lodge, should it adopt the Amendment, that it is interfering in the affairs of its subordinate Lodges. It is from the Grand Lodge that these Lodges derive their being, and the authority to open the doors of the Fraternity to those who seek to join us. It is not only the right but the duty of the Grand Lodge to define the status of the newly-admitted Brother. It is no arbitrary exercise of authority for it to say to its subordinates: "Make Masons of as many good men and true as you will, but provide them with a Masonic home. In accepting their applications for admission to the Fraternity you pledge them the enjoyment of Fraternal relations. Without this, though they have passed the outer door, they have failed to gain admission within the middle chamber of the Order."

Your committee suggest a verbal change of the Amendment by substituting the words "which accepts his application" for the words "in which his application is made." The Section will then read:

“Sect. 11. The fees for initiating, crafting and raising shall entitle the applicant to membership in the Lodge which accepts his application, without further charge or ballot.”

In this form, the Amendment is recommended for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. W. DAVIS,

ISAAC H. LOCKE,

*A Majority of the Committee.*

The report was accepted. Upon the question of the adoption of the Amendment there was a prolonged discussion. The vote being taken, the Amendment was adopted, there being 271 in the affirmative, to 96 in the negative — the yeas being 26 more than the necessary two-thirds.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO GRAND CONSTITUTIONS.

R.W. Lewis M. Palmer, District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-first Masonic District, proposed the following Amendment to the Grand Constitutions:

Amend Part IV., Article III., Section 1, by adding, at the end of the Section the following words: “Provided, however, that any Lodge may, by express provision of

its By-Laws, dispense with the insertion of the name of the candidate in its notifications as above required."

Under the provisions of the Grand Constitutions, the proposed Amendment was laid over for action at the Quarterly Communication in June next, and was referred to a committee consisting of R.W. Brothers Henry Endicott, Frank T. Dwinell and Henry G. Fay.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS AND CHARTERS.

R.W. Frank T. Dwinell presented the following report, which was accepted:

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, March 8, 1893.

The Committee on By-Laws and Charters have examined, and approved without change, Amendments to the By-Laws of King Cyrus Lodge, of Stoneham; Belmont Lodge, of Belmont; Bethesda Lodge, of Brighton; and Pacific Lodge, of Amherst.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK T. DWINELL,

*For the Committee on By-Laws and Charters.*

#### RECOGNITION OF GRAND LODGE OF OKLAHOMA.

R.W. Charles C. Dame, in behalf of the committee, presented the following report,

which was accepted, and the recommendation was adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS, March 8, 1893.

The committee, to whom was referred the request for recognition of a newly-organized Masonic Body called the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma, respectfully report:

That the Territory of Oklahoma was formerly a part of the Indian Territory, the latter having a Grand Lodge duly recognized by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. After the division of the Indian Territory, and the establishment of the Oklahoma Territory, representatives of the ten Lodges located in the new Territory assembled in Oklahoma City and duly organized a Grand Lodge for the Territory. This action had the unanimous consent of representatives of all the Lodges in the new Territory, and the approval of the Grand Lodge of the Indian Territory, from which all those Lodges derived their existence and powers.

Under these circumstances it seems eminently fit and proper that the new organization should receive the recognition which is asked, and your committee recommend that it be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES C. DAME,  
CHARLES H. NORRIS,  
BENJ. L. M. TOWER,

*Committee.*



## CAUTION AS TO EXEMPLIFICATION OF RITUAL.

The Chairman of the Committee on Ritual called attention to the manner in which certain portions of the work of the third degree were conducted in a few Lodges, after a very ancient manner, as some Brethren seemed to suppose. In the opinion of the committee the mode of working referred to was inconsistent with the dignity and seriousness of the scene represented and the lesson intended to be taught. The usual effect of such a representation would be to produce levity and mirth, and at times might prove to be dangerous.

Wherever the practice referred to was known to be followed, the M.W. Grand Master had condemned and forbidden it. The committee hoped that this fact might be made known to the Masters and Wardens of all Lodges throughout the jurisdiction.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS OF TRIALS — CASE OF  
THOMAS B. BILYEU.

W. Bro. Charles T. Gallagher, in behalf of the Commissioners of Trials, presented a report upon the complaint against Bro. Thomas B. Bilyeu, for gross un-Masonic conduct. It appeared that

the accused was duly notified of the hearing, but was not present. The Commissioners, however, had before them two communications from him ; one addressed to the Lodge of which he was a member, and the other to the Commissioners, in reply to their summons. In both of these communications the offence was acknowledged, substantially as charged. The substance of the evidence taken at the hearing was submitted by the Commissioners in their report. They adjudged the accused to be guilty, and recommended that he be expelled from the Fraternity.

The report was accepted; the finding and sentence were approved; and Thomas B. Bilyeu was declared expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

CLOSING.

No further business being presented, the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM, at fifteen minutes after four o'clock, P.M.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest :

*Sereno L. Nickerson,*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT ROXBURY.

APRIL 5, A.L. 5893.

## DEDICATION OF MASONIC HALL.

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
 WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT  
 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COM-  
 MONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in the  
 Roxbury District of the City of Boston, on  
 Wednesday, the fifth day of April, A.L. 5893,  
 A.D. 1893, for the purpose of dedicating the  
 new Masonic apartments in that locality.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

M.W. RICHARD BRIGGS . . .	Grand Master.
R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD . . .	Deputy Grand Master.
" JAMES TAYLOR . . . . .	Senior Grand Warden.
" HENRY G. JORDAN . . . . .	Junior Grand Warden.
" SAMUEL WELLS . . . . .	Past Grand Master.
" FRANK T. DWINELL . . . . .	Past Deputy Grand Master.
" WILLIAM H. CHESSMAN . . . . .	Past Grand Warden.
" HENRY G. FAY . . . . .	" " "
" WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . . . .	" " "
" JAMES M. GLEASON . . . . .	" " "
" CHARLES HARRIS . . . . .	" " "
" JOHN CARR . . . . .	Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON . . . . .	Recording Grand Secretary.
" S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . . . . .	Corresponding Grand Sec'y.

R.W. JOHN STALKER . . . . .	D.D.G. Master Dist. No. 3.
" HENRY B. CHANDLER . . . .	" " " " 4.
W. REV. CHARLES A. SKINNER .	Grand Chaplain.
" CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . . .	Grand Marshal.
" GIFFORD H. G. MCGREW .	Grand Lecturer.
" CHARLES W. PARMENTER .	Senior Grand Deacon.
" HENRY S. ROWE . . . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
" JOHN C. WARREN, }	as Grand Stewards.
" EDWARD A. F. GORE, }	
" EDWIN B. HOLMES . . . . .	Grand Sword-Bearer.
Bro. JOHN H. CHESTER . . . .	Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM, in one of the ante-rooms of the new Hall, at 8 o'clock P.M. A committee, composed of the Past Masters of Washington and La Fayette Lodges, was then introduced, and conducted the Grand Officers to the Lodge-room, where about two hundred members of those Lodges, and many visiting Brethren, were assembled in due Masonic form. W. Albert E. Carr, Master of Washington Lodge, which was chartered in 1796, was in the chair, and welcomed the Grand Master in graceful and appropriate language. The Grand Officers assumed their respective stations, and the exercises commenced with the singing, by the Temple Quartette, of the anthem "The Earth is the Lord's."

Prayer was offered by W. Rev. Charles A.

Skinner, Grand Chaplain. The working tools were surrendered by the Architect, W. Edgar E. Gray, Master of La Fayette Lodge. W. Albert E. Carr requested that the new building might be examined and now dedicated, if approved.

The Grand Officers proceeded to make the customary examination, and reported as square, level and plumb the several parts of the edifice which should be so. The M.W. Grand Master did then solemnly dedicate the Hall to Freemasonry, to Virtue, and to Universal Benevolence, in accordance with ancient form and usage and the ritual of this Grand Lodge; and the Grand Marshal made proclamation accordingly.

The Grand Master then resigned the Oriental Chair to the W. Master of Washington Lodge, and the Grand Officers were escorted by the committee to the place of opening, where the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM, at fifteen minutes after nine o'clock P.M.

After a brief interval the Brethren again assembled — this time in the spacious Banquet Hall of the new apartments. Once more W. Bro. Carr presided; and, after all appetites had been abundantly satisfied, he addressed the company in eloquent language, expressing the great gratification

of the Brethren of the two Lodges, upon the successful termination of their labors in securing and preparing the commodious and elegant apartments, which had just been so impressively consecrated to the high purposes of the Fraternity. He gratefully recognized the courtesy of the Grand Master in conducting the ceremonies, and honoring the occasion by bringing to its duties so numerous a staff of Grand Officers.

He introduced W. Bro. John F. Newton, who read a brief sketch of the history of Masonry in Roxbury. Interesting speeches followed from the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Past Grand Master Wells, Past Grand Warden Fay, and others. The company dispersed to their homes with general congratulations to their hosts, that the lines had fallen to them in such pleasant places.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno D. Nickerson.*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*



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MASONIC TEMPLE,  
BOSTON, MASS.

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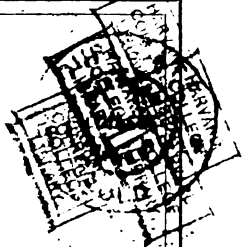
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## Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

OF THE

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IN UNION WITH THE MOST ANCIENT AND HONORABLE GRAND  
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JUNE 14, 1893.

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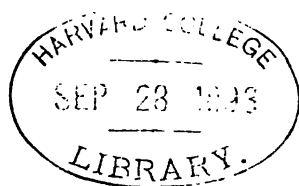
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# Abstract of Proceedings

OF THE

## GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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### QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

JUNE 14, A.L. 5893.

A QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at the Masonic Temple, in the city of Boston, on Wednesday, the fourteenth day of June, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893.

#### GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

M.W. RICHARD BRIGGS	. . . . .	Grand Master.
R.W. JAMES TAYLOR	. . . . .	Senior Grand Warden.
" HENRY G. FAY	. . . . .	as Junior Grand Warden.
" JOHN CARR	. . . . .	Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON	. . . . .	Recording Grand Secretary.
" FRANK VOSE	. . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 2.
" JOHN STALKER	. . . . .	" " " " 3.
" HENRY B. CHANDLER	. . . . .	" " " " 4.
" HERBERT H. SAWYER	. . . . .	" " " " 5.

R.W.	THOMAS M. DURELL . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 6.
"	WILLIAM F. CHESTER . . . .	" " " " 7.
"	GREEN DAVIS . . . . .	" " " " 9.
"	EDWARD A. FITTS . . . . .	" " " " 10.
"	FRANK L. WEAVER . . . . .	" " " " 11.
"	GEORGE H. FOYE . . . . .	" " " " 12.
"	MILES T. HUNTINGTON . . . .	" " " " 15.
"	JOHN E. BRONSON . . . . .	" " " " 16.
"	FREDERIC W. SOUTHWICK . . .	" " " " 18.
"	LESTER H. CUDWORTH . . . .	" " " " 19.
"	JOHN H. BALCOM . . . . .	" " " " 20.
"	LEWIS M. PALMER . . . . .	" " " " 21.
"	FRANCIS D. DUNBAR . . . . .	" " " " 22.
"	EDWARD R. PRICE . . . . .	" " " " 23.
"	HERBERT I. MITCHELL . . . .	" " " " 24.
"	CHARLES T. BURR . . . . .	" " " " 25.
"	FREDERICK A. BRADFORD . . .	" " " " 26.
"	JOHN HUXTABLE . . . . .	" " " " 27.
W.	CHARLES A. SKINNER . . . .	Grand Chaplain.
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"	J. ALFRED MESSINGER, }	Junior Grand Stewards.
"	CHARLES W. DRAKE, }	
"	RICHARD W. SUTTON . . . .	Grand Sword-Bearer.
"	Z. L. BICKNELL . . . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
"	HENRY D. DUPEK, }	Grand Pursuivants.
"	WALTER F. LANSIL, }	
Bro.	HOWARD M. DOW . . . . .	Grand Organist.
"	JOHN H. CHESTER . . . . .	Grand Tyler.

## PERMANENT MEMBERS PRESENT:

R.W.	CHARLES C. DAME . . . . .	Past Grand Master.
"	SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE . . . .	" " "
"	HENRY ENDICOTT . . . . .	" " "
"	BENJAMIN A. GOULD . . . .	Past Deputy Grand Master.
"	FRANK T. DWINELL . . . . .	" " " "



R.W. WILLIAM H. CHESSMAN . . Past Grand Warden.

" BAALIS SANFORD . . . . " " "

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" WYZEMAN MARSHALL . . . . " " "

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" LAFAYETTE G. BLAIR . . . Commissioner of Trials.

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AURORA . . . . .	Samuel W. Sawyer . .	Master.
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	Edward G. Graves . .	Junior Warden.
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	Joseph Gahm . . . . .	Senior Warden.
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HYDE PARK . . . . .	Asa J. Adams . . . . .	Master.
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JOHN ABBOT . . . . .	Frank W. Kaan . . . .	Master.
JOHN CUTLER . . . .	Charles B. Shaw . . . .	Senior Warden.
	Joseph F. French . . . .	Proxy.
JOSEPH WARREN . . . .	William F. Butler . . . .	Master.
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KING PHILIP . . . . .	John T. Burrell . . . .	Master.
KONOHASSETT . . . .	Thomas A. Rich . . . .	Senior Warden.
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MONTACUTE . . . .	Enoch Earle . . . .	Master.
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	Robert W. Clifford . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNTAIN . . . .	George H. Wilkins . .	Senior Warden.
MOUNT CARMEL . . .	Josiah F. Kimball . .	Master.
	Benj. F. Arrington . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT HERMON . . .	J. Gilman Waite . . .	Master.
MOUNT HOPE . . . .	William Crossley . . .	Senior Warden.
	Samuel Smith . . . .	Junior Warden.
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	Charles M. Howe . . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT LEBANON . . .	Gus G. R. Stanwood . .	Master.
	William B. Phipps . . .	Senior Warden.
MOUNT OLIVET . . .	Walter C. Wardwell . .	Master.
MOUNT TABOR . . . .	Albion P. Small . . . .	Master.
	William H. Beeching . .	Senior Warden.
	Charles R. Morse . . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT TOM . . . .	Jarvis U. Woods . . .	Master.
MOUNT VERNON . . .	Winslow B. Southworth	Junior Warden.
NARRAGANSETT . . .	Dwight E. Cone . . . .	Senior Warden.
NOQUOCHOKÉ . . . .	Henry T. Allen . . . .	Junior Warden.
NORFOLK UNION . . .	Asa P. French . . . .	Senior Warden.
	Frank C. Granger . . .	Junior Warden.
OLD COLONY . . . .	Charles H. Marble . . .	Master.
	George S. Marsh . . . .	Senior Warden.
OLIVE BRANCH . . .	Aug. S. Winter . . . .	Master.
ORANGE . . . . .	Fred N. Johnson . . . .	Junior Warden.
ORPHAN'S HOPE . . .	William T. Rice . . . .	Senior Warden.
	William Humphrey . . .	Proxy.
PACIFIC . . . . .	George E. Fisher . . . .	Master.
PALESTINE . . . . .	Henry A. Knight . . . .	Senior Warden.
	Columbus Corey . . . .	Proxy.
PAUL REVERE . . . .	Albion H. Howe . . . .	Master.
	Calvin R. Barrett . . .	Junior Warden.
PEQUOSSETTE . . . .	Benj. W. Brown . . . .	Master.
PHILANTHROPIC . . .	Stephen W. Power . . .	Master.
PILGRIM . . . . .	Charles E. Hamer . . . .	Master.
PLYMOUTH . . . . .	C. Fred. Howe . . . .	Junior Warden.

PURITAN . . . . .	Joseph D. Benson . .	Master.
	George L. Paine . .	Junior Warden.
RABBONI . . . . .	Charles F. Kelley . .	Master.
REVERE . . . . .	E. Loring Richards . .	Master.
RISING STAR . . . . .	George F. Walker . .	Proxy.
ROSWELL LEE . . . . .	Benj. C. Harvey . .	Master.
RURAL . . . . .	William P. Chase, Jr.	Proxy.
SAGGAHEW . . . . .	Harvey R. Eastman . .	Master.
SAINT ALBAN'S . . . . .	Charles E. Martis . .	Master.
SAINT GEORGE . . . . .	William H. Thayer . .	Master.
ST. JOHN'S (Boston) . . . . .	William A. Carrie . .	Junior Warden.
ST. MARK'S . . . . .	David Foss . . . .	Master.
ST. PAUL . . . . .	E. Dana Bancroft . .	Proxy.
SATUCKET . . . . .	Frank L. Erskine . .	Junior Warden.
SATUIT . . . . .	Charles R. Folsom . .	Master.
	Nehemiah T. Merritt . .	Proxy.
SILOAM . . . . .	Frank W. Bullard . .	Proxy.
SIMON W. ROBINSON . . . . .	George W. Sampson . .	Senior Warden.
SOCIAL HARMONY . . . . .	Robert T. Delano . .	Master.
SOLEY . . . . .	J. Walter Sanborn . .	Senior Warden.
STAR . . . . .	Frank L. Tourtellott . .	Master.
STAR IN THE EAST . . . . .	Bartholomew Otheman . .	Master.
	Peleg H. S. W. Allen . .	Senior Warden.
	John L. G. Mason . .	Junior Warden.
STARR KING . . . . .	Joseph Darling . . .	Master.
TEMPLE . . . . .	Frank H. Parker . . .	Master.
TRINITY . . . . .	Leonard H. Parker . .	Master.
TYRIAN . . . . .	Warren A. Bennett . .	Senior Warden.
UNION (Dorchester) . . . . .	Harry G. Howe . . .	Junior Warden.
WARREN . . . . .	Elmer E. Sanborn . .	Junior Warden.
WASHINGTON . . . . .	Herbert F. Morse . .	Senior Warden.
WILLIAM PARKMAN . . . . .	John H. Winchenbach . .	Master.
WILLIAM SUTTON . . . . .	Fred. C. Newhall . .	Master.
	Henry J. Mills . . .	Proxy.
WILLIAMS . . . . .	Andrew M. Smith . .	Master.
WINSLOW LEWIS . . . . .	Daniel J. Strain . . .	Master.
WINTHROP . . . . .	Lewis A. Wallon . . .	Master.
WYOMING . . . . .	Sidney H. Buttrick . .	Proxy.
ZETLAND . . . . .	Horace A. Wallingford . .	Senior Warden.

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM, at 2 o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Rev. Charles A. Skinner, Grand Chaplain.

The Records of the Quarterly Communication of March 8, 1893, being in print, the reading was dispensed with; the Record of the Special Communication at Roxbury, April 5, 1893, was read and approved.

#### PROXIES RECOGNIZED.

Proxies from the following-named Lodges were presented, and, being found in form, the Brethren designated were duly recognized:

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE, China, in favor of W. Bro. Rosewell B. Lawrence.

ATHELSTAN LODGE, Worcester, in favor of W. Bro. Horace F. Ball.

BOYLSTON LODGE, W. Boylston, in favor of W. Bro. Louis Cutting.

FRANKLIN LODGE, Grafton, in favor of W. Bro. Benjamin F. Gibson.

JOHN CUTLER LODGE, Abington, in favor of W. Bro. Joseph F. French.

KONOHASSETT LODGE, Cohasset, in favor of W. Bro. Amos A. Lawrence.

MERRIMACK LODGE, Haverhill, in favor of W. Bro. James H. Osgood.

MONTACUTE LODGE, Worcester, in favor of W. Bro. George M. Rice, 2d.

NARRAGANSETT LODGE, Fall River, in favor of W. Bro. Abijah H. Luscomb.

RURAL LODGE, Quincy, in favor of W. Bro. William P. Chase, Jr.

TYRIAN LODGE, Gloucester, in favor of W. Bro. David O. Frost.

WILDER LODGE, Leominster, in favor of Bro. Harry L. Pierce.

WYOMING LODGE, Melrose, in favor of W. Bro. Sidney H. Buttrick.

PETITION FOR CHARTER OF MACEDONIAN LODGE.

The Recording Grand Secretary presented the following petition, which, on his motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on By-Laws and Charters:

MILTON, MASS., June 5, 1893.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:*

We, the undersigned, Master Masons, to whom your Most Worshipful Grand Master issued a Dispensation, bearing date June 24, A.D. 1892, A.L. 5892, empowering us to form and open a Lodge, and therein to admit and make Freemasons according to the ancient custom, now return our Dispensation, with a record of all our proceedings and our By-Laws. We respectfully pray, if these be approved, for a Charter of Constitution, empowering us, with those who may hereafter join us, under the name of

MACEDONIAN LODGE,

of Milton, in said Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to perform all the ceremonies and discharge all the duties, at said Milton, appertaining to Ancient Craft Masonry, in accordance with the Constitutions of the Grand Lodge.

FREELAND D. LESLIE,

EDWIN DEXTER WADSWORTH,

GEORGE LEONARD HAYNES,

EDWIN P. HURD,

GEORGE EVERETT,

JACOB S. LINCOLN,

J. GRANVILLE YOUNG, JR.,	JOHN JOHNSTON,
DEXTER EMERSON WADSWORTH,	JOSEPH E. BLAKE,
THEODORE TRAIN WHITNEY,	GEORGE WILD,
HENRY H. W. SIGOURNEY,	DANIEL D. SCOTT,
HUGH C. GALLAGHER,	ROBERT L. POND,
MARK R. CORLEW,	JAMES H. DALY,
WALTER W. STRANGMAN,	THOMAS HARLOW,
WILLIAM W. CARSLEY,	CHARLES F. HALL,
WILLIAM F. GOWARD,	SCOTT T. DOTEN,
CHARLES L. BARTLETT,	JOSEPH HOLMES,
ARTHUR H. TUCKER,	GEORGE F. PIERCE,
JULIUS C. TIBBETTS,	JOSEPH D. CHUTE,
JONATHAN B. L. BARTLETT,	WALTER P. BECK,
AMOS G. PERKINS,	J. ALBERT SIMPSON,
FREDERICK W. ARCHER,	HARRISON A. SOUTHER,
CHARLES E. C. BRECK,	J. SUMNER WEBB,
ANDREW J. HOLBROOK,	GEORGE L. BURT,
	JOHN W. KENDALL.

## PETITION OF MASSACHUSETTS LODGE.

The Recording Grand Secretary presented a petition from Massachusetts Lodge, of Boston, for permission to print upon the regular Lodge notices the names of Committees on Applications. As the Grand Lodge in September, 1890, adopted an Amendment to the Grand Constitutions expressly prohibiting the printing of the names of Committees on Applications, and as no reason was presented for making an exception to this rule in the

case of Massachusetts Lodge, it was voted that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

INSTALLATION OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

R.W. Miles T. Huntington, of Great Barrington, was installed in AMPLE FORM, as District Deputy Grand Master of the Fifteenth Masonic District, in place of R.W. Charles W. French, who declined the appointment.

MEMORIAL OF R.W. NATHAN S. KIMBALL.

R.W. Dana J. Flanders presented the following tribute to the memory of Past Grand Warden Nathan S. Kimball, which, by a rising vote, was accepted and ordered to be spread upon the Records:

IN MEMORIAM.

Nathan Swett Kimball was born in Haverhill, Mass., October 7, 1820. He received his education in the public schools of his native town, and after serving a regular apprenticeship at the currying trade, formed a copartnership and carried on the business of currying, under the firm name of Morrill & Kimball, for many years. When the re-adjustment of the shoe and leather industry, after the war, made the currying business in Haverhill unprofitable, he connected himself with a leather house in Boston, with which he remained until his death.

He took an active interest in the affairs of the town, and frequently presided over the deliberations of its citizens in



Town meetings. He served on the Board of Selectmen during the years 1858 to 1862 inclusive, and again from 1865 to 1869 inclusive, all, or nearly all, the time as Chairman of the Board. As his service extended over most of the years of the civil war, upon him devolved the duty of providing the Town's quota of men, and it is said that the duty was well and faithfully performed.

He represented the Town in the Legislature during the years 1858 and 1859, and was again at the head of the Town government in the years previous to its incorporation as a City. He was instrumental in securing the necessary legislation for the incorporation of the City and finally turning the Town over to the new form of government.

In 1878 and 1879 he was honored by the City with an election as Mayor, in which office he served with ability and success.

He was elected State Senator from the third Essex District for the years 1881 and 1883, and with the usual result of receiving the encomiums of his colleagues and the approval of his constituents.

He was at the time of his death a Trustee of the Public Library and the City Hospital and took an active interest in the success of both.

He had lived to see his native Town grow from a sparsely settled village of no more than two thousand inhabitants, to a populous and thriving City of nearly forty thousand. He had contributed, by his wise counsels and personal efforts, his full share in laying its foundations and building it up to its present state, and was justly entitled to the position he enjoyed of one of its first and most respected citizens.

He was married in August, 1844, and from this union there resulted three daughters, only one of whom survives him. His wife died in 1864, and he again married in 1879. His second wife died in November, 1892, leaving no children.

In his family relations he was all that a husband and father should be: constant in his love and devotion to wife and children in health; and in sickness and death showing by his untiring devotion the same characteristic tenacity of purpose which actuated him in his business and social affairs. The loss of wife and children, and the constant and untiring care during the latter months of his life tended greatly, it is believed, to break down his rugged constitution and hasten his death.

His religion conformed to the true Masonic standard—as broad as between East and West, as from North to South. An oft-repeated saying of his was, “Salvation’s free.” He attended regularly the Old North (Congregational) Church and may have subscribed to this faith, but it is probably true that, so far as creeds were concerned, he was equally in accord with other denominations with which some of his dearest friends were connected.

His Masonic career commenced later in life than is usual in most cases and particularly in those who receive so marked tokens of Masonic approbation. He was raised to the sublime degree in Saggahew Lodge, March 20, 1865, was immediately honored with official position, and elected Worshipful Master in 1868, 1869 and 1870.

He was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the old Sixth District, by Most Worshipful Brother Welch, in

December, 1879, and in December, 1880, was elected Junior Grand Warden of this Grand Lodge.

He was admitted to Capitular Masonry in Pentucket Chapter, Nov. 30, 1866, and received the Degrees in Haverhill Council of Royal and Select Masters, March 15, 1867.

He was created a Sir Knight in Haverhill Commandery of Knights Templars, May 29, 1868, and was elected Eminent Commander in 1874, 1875 and 1876, and again in 1880 and 1881. He served in various offices in the Grand Commandery, and in October, 1892, was elected to that of Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, which position he held when he died.

As a Mason he was true and sincere, and our principles and tenets found in him an earnest and enthusiastic adherent. He was ever ready to serve his Lodge in any capacity, and by his practice and example he helped to maintain its high reputation and extend its benign influence, thus securing the respect and good will of those who were strangers to our mysteries.

He died April 1, 1893, aged 72 years 5 months and 23 days, and was buried in the old Cemetery within the limits of the City he loved and whose interests he had served so well.

Thus endeth the record. It is sufficient to gratify the desires of any one, as a testimonial of the character and abilities of the man, and the recognition of his deserts by his fellow-citizens and Brother Masons.

For those who knew him it would be needless to add words; but for the benefit of those inquiring minds who are to follow, be it said, that our Brother was truly a man

among men, and his sterling qualities and general manly characteristics needed only to be known to be appreciated.

Taciturn and reserved he was, but not morose, and the quiet and oftentimes secret approbation of a measure or a man entirely misled his friends as to where he stood or what he thought. He was none the less true, good and honest, and appeared to act upon the belief that he should not let his left hand know what his right hand did. If it was in his power to aid or benefit a friend the chances were that his friend would never know that he had quietly, and with no flourish of trumpets, performed some service or spoken a kindly word in the proper place, resulting, no one knew how, in the success of some cherished plan. That he was not outspoken oftentimes misled his contemporaries as to his position on interesting matters, but that after a thorough and careful consideration of the matter he assumed a position which he thought was right was well known to those who knew him best.

His genial and pleasant disposition will be best appreciated by his friends who can remember his quiet laugh, no more at their expense than at his own. When making an official visit with his suite his dignity and reserve apparently demanded that he be entertained in a manner befitting a teetotaler or a member of the cloth; the chagrin of his suite or his entertainers upon the discovery of the facts was no less a subject of mirth than a good story or a twice-told tale; that he may have had some of the faults which humanity is heir to no one desires to or will deny, but that he had well-recognized virtues far outnumbering them is amply proven. It were enough to say of any man, as it

can be truly said of him: He was a good citizen, kind parent, stanch friend and an honest man. Peace to his ashes, and may the inspiration of his example be a constant encouragement to those who come after him!

"Dust to dust—it's true 'tis written  
Of bodies only—not the soul.  
And names from life may still be stricken,  
But 'tis one more added to honor's roll."

Respectfully submitted,

DANA J. FLANDERS,

*Committee.*

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOME.

The M.W. Grand Master stated that the committee on the subject of a Masonic Home had held several meetings and were giving the matter very careful and thorough consideration. They were aware that some difference of opinion existed among the Brethren as to the expediency of inaugurating such an enterprise in our jurisdiction, and it was, therefore, of the utmost importance that ample time and opportunity should be given for ascertaining what had been the action and experience in regard to it in other jurisdictions, and what seemed to be the wants and necessities of our own, and the best means of providing for them. The committee hoped to be able to present,

at the Quarterly Communication in September next, a report which would cover all these points and enable the Grand Lodge to reach a conclusion on the subject which would command and receive the approval of the Craft throughout the State.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS AND CHARTERS.

R.W. Henry G. Fay, in behalf of the Committee on By-Laws and Charters, presented the following report:

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, June 14, 1893.

The Committee on By-Laws and Charters have examined and approved, without change, amendments to the By-Laws of Aurora and Charles W. Moore Lodges, of Fitchburg; Huntington Lodge, of Huntington; Montacute Lodge, of Worcester; Orphan's Hope Lodge, of Weymouth; Plymouth Lodge, of Plymouth; Quinsigamond Lodge, of Worcester, and St. Paul's Lodge, of South Boston; also, with necessary verbal changes, amendments to the By-Laws of Caleb Butler Lodge, of Ayer; Hammatt Lodge, of East Boston; Henry Price and King Solomon's Lodges, of Charlestown, and St. Matthew's Lodge, of Andover. They have examined and approved, with such changes as were necessary, the full codes submitted by Athelstan Lodge, of Worcester; Bethany Lodge, of Merrimac; Eden Lodge, of Ware; Golden Fleece Lodge, of Lynn, and Trinity Lodge, of Clinton.

Macedonian Lodge, of Milton, which has been working during the past year under a Dispensation, applies for a

Charter. The Records and By-Laws have been carefully examined. The former have been faithfully kept and neatly transcribed, and the latter have been approved after necessary changes. We recommend that a Charter be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ENDICOTT,

FRANK T. DWINELL,

HENRY G. FAY,

*Committee on By-Laws and Charters.*

The report was accepted, and the recommendation that a Charter be granted to Macedonian Lodge was unanimously approved.

#### RANK OF DIRECTORS IN GRAND LODGE.

The Recording Grand Secretary called attention to the fact that our Grand Constitutions made no assignment of rank or position in the Grand Lodge to the members of the Board of Directors. The rank and titles of all other officers and members of the Grand Lodge were fully set forth in Article II. of the Grand Constitutions, but no allusion was made therein to the Directors. Those Brethren were charged with important duties, being invested with "full power to do and transact any and all business of the Corporation in any way relating to its property, real and personal."

The Grand Secretary stated that he had been present, in some capacity, at most of the meetings of the Board which had been held during the last thirty years, and he could bear witness to the regular and punctual attendance of the members at those meetings and their faithful attention to the affairs and interests of the Corporation.

Some of the members of the Board held high rank and position in the Grand Lodge, by virtue of having previously held other offices ; but there always had been, and probably always would be, some members of the Board who had before held no high position in the Grand Lodge, but were elected to this on account of their áctive connection with business and the consequent knowledge and experience of current affairs which they might be expected to bring to the counsels of the Board. It seemed due to these Brethren that the dignity and responsibility of the office of Director should be marked by the assignment of a distinct and definite rank and title in the Grand Lodge.

For these reasons the following Amendment to the Grand Constitutions was proposed:



Amend Article II., Section 1, by inserting, after

"10. R. W. Corresponding Grand Secretary," the following :

"11. R. W. Directors," and re-numbering the succeeding titles accordingly.

The proposed Amendment was laid over for action at the Quarterly Communication in September next, and was referred to a committee consisting of: R.W. Samuel C. Lawrence, W. Frank K. Stearns, Master of Kilwinning Lodge, and W. William White, Master of Columbian Lodge.

#### SYMBOLIC GRAND DIET OF MEXICO.

R.W. Charles C. Dame presented the following report, which was accepted and the recommendation was unanimously adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE, June 14, 1893.

The committee, to whom was referred the request for recognition from the Symbolic Grand Diet of the United States of Mexico, a Body claiming to exercise exclusive jurisdiction over the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason in the Republic of Mexico, beg leave to report that they have given careful attention to the subject, but find themselves unable to recommend the granting of the request.

We had hoped that the organization of the Grand Diet had

put an end to the rivalry and want of harmony that have so long been characteristic of the several so-called Masonic Grand Bodies in Mexico; but our latest advices lead us to believe that Masonry in our sister Republic is not yet in that condition of harmony that would warrant this Grand Lodge in recognizing, for the present, any of the so-called Grand Bodies. We therefore recommend that the request for recognition of the Symbolic Grand Diet of the United States of Mexico be not granted.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES C. DAME,

*For the Committee.*

#### AMENDMENT TO GRAND CONSTITUTIONS.

R.W. Henry G. Fay, in behalf of the committee, presented the following report upon a proposed Amendment to the Grand Constitutions authorizing the omission of the names of candidates from the notifications of the Communications at which they are to be balloted for:

IN GRAND LODGE, June 14, 1893.

The proposed Amendment to Art. III., Sect. 1, having been submitted to the Committee on Charters and By-Laws, by the M.W. Grand Master, we wish to express the hope that it will not be adopted.

On the 11th of October, 1843, the following was adopted by this Grand Lodge:

“All applications for initiation shall be made in writing,

under the signature of the applicant, and no candidate shall be balloted for, who has not been proposed at a stated monthly meeting, and who shall not have so stood proposed, from one monthly meeting to another, without a dispensation therefor; nor shall a candidate in any event be balloted for, into whose moral character a strict inquiry has not been made, and whose name has not been borne on the notifications for the meeting at which he is to be balloted for."

For nearly fifty years this regulation has stood upon our books, as a protection to our Lodges and a menace to those who would otherwise attempt to solve our mysteries and avail themselves of the benefits conferred upon the members of our Order.

It is a right reserved to all of us to say who shall come into our household as a member, or guest.

We claim that our Lodge is our Masonic home, or family, and we ought certainly to be permitted to say who shall sit with us here, and become our Brethren in Free Masonry. So it seems to us that every reasonable means should be employed to inform each and every Brother what is proposed to be done in his Lodge.

The addition of the proposed clause to our Constitution will, in our opinion, open the door for the application and admission of those who will be no ornament to our Fraternity.

It cannot be expected that every member of a Lodge will be present at all meetings, and unworthy men may be admitted when those who best know their faults will not be aware of their application.

Much more might be said against the proposed change,

but we think the reasons herein given are sufficient, and we renew the hope that this Grand Lodge will take a similar view of it.

HENRY ENDICOTT,  
FRANK T. DWINELL,  
HENRY G. FAY,  
*Committee.*

The report was accepted. Upon the question of the adoption of the Amendment an animated discussion was had. The vote being taken, the Amendment was rejected by 33 yeas to 120 nays.

#### MASONIC CONGRESS IN CHICAGO.

The Recording Grand Secretary presented a communication from the M.W. Grand Master of Illinois, stating the proposed arrangements for the preliminary organization of a "Congress of Masons," composed of delegates from certain Grand Lodges, to be held in the city of Chicago, on the 14th of August next. An explanation was made of the purpose of the proposed Congress and the origin of the call for it, with a statement as to the jurisdictions to be represented. The Grand Secretary moved that the M.W. Grand Master be authorized to appoint three delegates to attend the pro-

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posed Congress. After a brief discussion the motion was rejected by a vote of 39 yeas to 45 nays.

CLOSING.

No further business being presented, prayer was offered by W. Rev. Charles A. Skinner, Grand Chaplain, a hymn was sung, and the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM, at forty-five minutes after three o'clock P.M.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno D. Nickerson.*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT MILTON.

JUNE 28, A.L. 5893.

## CONSTITUTION OF MACEDONIAN LODGE.

**A** SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
 WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT  
 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMON-  
 WEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in the  
 town of Milton, on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth  
 day of June, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893, for the pur-  
 pose of constituting Macedonian Lodge.

## GRAND OFFICERS AND PERMANENT MEMBERS PRESENT:

M.W. RICHARD BRIGGS . . . . .	Grand Master.
R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD . . . . .	Deputy Grand Master.
“ CHARLES H. NORRIS . . . . .	as Senior Grand Warden.
“ HENRY G. JORDAN . . . . .	Junior Grand Warden.
“ HENRY ENDICOTT . . . . .	Past Grand Master.
“ HENRY G. FAY . . . . .	Past Grand Warden.
“ GEORGE W. STORER . . . . .	“ “ “
“ J. ALBERT BLAKE . . . . .	“ “ “
“ JOHN CARR . . . . .	Grand Treasurer.
“ SERENO D. NICKERSON . . . . .	Recording Grand Secretary.
“ WARREN B. ELLIS . . . . .	as Corresponding Grand Sec’y.
“ FRANCIS D. DUNBAR . . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 22.
“ HERBERT I. MITCHELL . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 24.
W. REV. S. STANLEY SEARING . . . . .	as Grand Chaplain
“ CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . . . .	Grand Marshal.
“ GIFFORD H. G. MCGREW . . . . .	Grand Lecturer.

W. CHARLES W. PARMENTER . . .	Senior Grand Deacon.
" HENRY S. ROWE . . . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
" CLARKE P. HARDING . . . .	Senior Grand Steward.
" J. ALFRED MESSINGER, } . .	Junior Grand Stewards.
" CLARENCE O. WALKER, } . .	
" CHARLES W. DRAKE, } . .	
" RICHARD W. SUTTON . . . .	Grand Sword-Bearer.
" Z. L. BICKNELL . . . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
Bro. WILLIAM H. GERRISH . . .	as Grand Organist.
" JOHN H. CHESTER . . . . .	Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM, at fifteen minutes after five o'clock P.M., in one of the ante-rooms adjoining Fraternity Hall.

A procession of the Grand Officers was formed by the Grand Marshal and conducted to the Hall, where the Brethren of the new Lodge, and many visitors from neighboring Lodges, were in order as Master Masons.

The Grand Officers assumed their respective stations.

The M.W. Grand Master expressed his great pleasure in the presence on this interesting occasion of our Worshipful Brother Charles Breck, a resident of Milton and Past Master of Rural Lodge, of Quincy, and Union Lodge, of Dorchester; born Jan. 11, 1798, and initiated in Rural Lodge in December, 1825. Past Grand Masters Nickerson and Endicott were appointed

to conduct the venerable Brother to a seat in the East.

The M.W. Grand Master then proceeded to constitute Macedonian Lodge, in accordance with the forms and ceremonies prescribed in our ritual.

At the conclusion of the service, Macedonian Lodge was duly proclaimed by the Grand Marshal, as regularly constituted and registered as such in the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

The musical portion of the ceremonies was conducted by Bro. William H. Gerrish, as Grand Organist, assisted by the Ruggles Street Quartet, and by Bro. Thomas M. Carter, as cornetist.

The installation of the Officers of the new Lodge immediately followed. The R.W. Deputy Grand Master installed the W. Master and the appointed Officers. The Senior Warden was installed by the R.W. Senior Grand Warden, the Junior Warden by the R.W. Junior Grand Warden, and the Secretary by the R.W. Recording Grand Secretary. The charge to the new Lodge was most impressively delivered by R.W. Henry Endicott, Past Grand Master.

The following-named Brethren were thus installed in their respective offices:



FREELAND D. LESLIE . . . . .	Worshipful Master.
EDWIN D. WADSWORTH . . . . .	Senior Warden.
CHARLES F. HALL . . . . .	Junior Warden.
WALTER W. STRANGMAN . . . . .	Secretary.
JAMES H. DALY . . . . .	Chaplain.
JOSEPH E. BLAKE . . . . .	Marshal.
DENTER E. WADSWORTH . . . . .	Senior Deacon.
FREDERICK W. ARCHER . . . . .	Junior Deacon.
GEORGE WILD . . . . .	Senior Steward.
JOSEPH E. GREENE . . . . .	Junior Steward.
WILLIAM C. HALL . . . . .	Inside Sentinel.
SCOTT T. DOTEN . . . . .	Tyler.

Upon the conclusion of the ceremonies of installation, the usual proclamation was made by the Grand Marshal. The M.W. Grand Master resigned the Oriental Chair to the Worshipful Master of Macedonian Lodge. The Grand Officers withdrew to the place of opening, and the Grand Lodge was closed in **AMPLE FORM**, at five minutes before seven o'clock P.M.

Macedonian Lodge having been closed, the Brethren were joined by ladies and escorted to Associates' Hall, in the same building, where a collation was served, enlivened by music from Carter's Band. Brief addresses were then made by the W. Master of Macedonian Lodge, the M.W. Grand Master, W. Bro. William T. Adams, Past Master of Union Lodge, of Dorchester, the R.W. Deputy Grand Master, Past Grand Master

Endicott, the Recording Grand Secretary, and others. At half-past nine o'clock the Grand Officers took leave of the company, and left them to still further enjoyment.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno L. Nickerson.*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*



GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS:

RICHARD BRIGGS,  
MASONIC TEMPLE,  
BOSTON, MASS.

RECORDING GRAND SECRETARY'S ADDRESS:

SERENO D. NICKERSON,  
MASONIC TEMPLE,  
BOSTON, MASS.

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OF

## Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

OF THE

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IN UNION WITH THE MOST ANCIENT AND HONORABLE GRAND  
LODGES IN EUROPE AND AMERICA, ACCORDING TO  
THE OLD CONSTITUTIONS.

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION:

SEPTEMBER 12, 1893.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS:

AUGUST 1, OCTOBER 24, NOVEMBER 15, DECEMBER 5, 1893.

R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD as GRAND MASTER.

R.W. SERENO D. NICKERSON, RECORDING GRAND SECRETARY.

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THE OLD CONSTITUTIONS.

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION:

SEPTEMBER 18, 1898.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS:

AUGUST 1, OCTOBER 24, NOVEMBER 15, DECEMBER 5, 1898.

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R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD *as* GRAND MASTER.

R.W. SERENO D. NICKERSON, RECORDING GRAND SECRETARY.

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**Abstract of Proceedings**  
**OF THE**  
**GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS.**

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**SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT BOSTON.**

**AUGUST 1, A.L. 5893.**

**FUNERAL SERVICES OF M.W. RICHARD BRIGGS.**

**A** SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT  
FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMON-  
WEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in the Ma-  
sonic Temple, in the city of Boston, on Tuesday,  
the first day of August, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893,  
for the purpose of attending the funeral ser-  
vices of our late Grand Master, M.W. Richard  
Briggs.

**GRAND OFFICERS AND PERMANENT MEMBERS PRESENT:**

R.W. JAMES TAYLOR	. . . .	as Grand Master.
" BENJAMIN A. GOULD	. . . .	as Deputy Grand Master.
" WILLIAM H. H. SOULE	. . . .	as Senior Grand Warden.
" HENRY G. JORDAN	. . . .	Junior Grand Warden.

R.W.	CHARLES C. DAME . . .	Past Grand Master.
"	CHARLES A. WELCH . . .	" " "
"	SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE . .	" " "
"	HENRY ENDICOTT . . .	" " "
"	FRANK T. DWINELL . . .	Past Deputy Grand Master.
"	HENRY GODDARD . . .	Past Grand Warden.
"	DANIEL W. LAWRENCE . .	" " "
"	WILLIAM H. CHESSMAN . .	" " "
"	WILLIAM T. R. MARVIN . .	" " "
"	JAMES M. GLEASON . . .	" " "
"	ANDREW C. STONE . . .	" " "
"	IVORY H. POPE . . .	" " "
"	E. WATERS BURR . . .	" " "
"	OTIS E. WELD . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES HARRIS . . .	" " "
"	DANA J. FLANDERS . . .	" " "
"	GEORGE H. RHODES . . .	" " "
"	JOHN CARR . . .	Grand Treasurer.
"	SERENO D. NICKERSON . .	Recording Grand Secretary.
"	S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . .	Corresponding Grand Sec'y.
"	FRANK VOSE . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 2.
"	JOHN STALKER . . .	" " " " 3.
"	HENRY B. CHANDLER . . .	" " " " 4.
"	WILLIAM F. CHESTER . . .	" " " " 7.
W.	REV. JOHN CUCKSON . . .	Grand Chaplain.
"	CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . .	Grand Marshal.
"	GIFFORD H. G. MCGREW . .	Grand Lecturer.
"	HENRY S. ROWE . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
"	CLARKE P. HARDING . . .	Senior Grand Steward.
"	J. ALFRED MESSINGER, }	Junior Grand Stewards.
"	CLARENCE O. WALKER, }	
"	RICHARD W. SUTTON . . .	Grand Sword-Bearer.
"	Z. L. BICKNELL . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
Bro.	HOWARD M. DOW . . .	Grand Organist.
"	JOHN H. CHESTER . . .	Grand Tyler.
W.	EDWIN B. HOLMES . . .	Of Board of Directors.
"	LAFAYETTE G. BLAIR . . .	Commissioner of Trials.

The Grand Lodge was opened in FORM, at half-past two o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Rev. John Cuckson, Grand Chaplain.

The Presiding Officer announced the purpose of the Special Communication, and in a few heartfelt and expressive words gave utterance to the sincere sorrow of the whole Fraternity of the jurisdiction in our sudden bereavement.

The Grand Marshal then formed a procession, and the Brethren proceeded in solemn silence to the church, on the corner of Newbury and Exeter streets, where the relatives and friends were assembled in numbers nearly filling the edifice. At three o'clock the pastor, Rev. Edward Everett Hale, opened the service with a tender and appreciative eulogy of our departed Brother, whom he had known from boyhood. This he followed with the reading of passages from the Scriptures and a fervent prayer.

Upon the conclusion of these exercises, the Grand Officers assembled around the casket, and the Masonic Burial Service was impressively read by the Presiding Officer, R.W. Bro. Taylor, and the Grand Chaplain, W. Rev. Bro. Cuckson, with responses by the Brethren. Both services were interspersed with appropriate singing by a Ma-

sonic Quartet, under the direction of the Grand Organist.

The body was then taken in charge by the relatives and nearest friends, and conveyed to Forest Hills Cemetery, where it was deposited temporarily in a receiving tomb.

The Grand Officers returned to the Temple, where the Grand Lodge was closed in FORM at fifteen minutes after four o'clock P.M.

The following-named Brethren acted as pall-bearers :

R.W. CHARLES C. DAME	. . . .	Past Grand Master.
" SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE	. . . .	" " "
W. E. LORING RICHARDS	. . . .	Master of Revere Lodge.
" WALTER F. LANSIL	. . . .	" " Lodge of Eleusis.

The Grand Chapter of Massachusetts was represented on this sad occasion by

M.E. JOHN ALBERT BLAKE	. . . .	Grand High Priest.
" THOMAS WATERMAN	. . . .	Past Grand High Priest.
" FREDERICK T. COMEE	. . . .	" " " "
R.E. SERANUS BOWEN	. . . .	Grand Secretary.
" JOHN HAIGH	. . . .	Past Deputy Grand High Priest.
" EUGENE A. HOLTON	. . . .	" " " "
" ALBERT L. RICHARDSON	. . . .	Past Grand Scribe.

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters was represented by

M.I. WILLIAM B. LAWRENCE	. . . .	Grand Master.
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The Grand Commandery was represented by

SIR WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . . R.E. Grand Commander.  
SIR EUGENE H. RICHARDS . . . E. Grand Captain General.  
SIR JAMES SWORDS . . . R.E. Past Grand Commander.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno D. Nickerson*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

SEPTEMBER 13, A.L. 5893.

A QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at the Masonic Temple, in the city of Boston, on Wednesday, the thirteenth day of September, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD . . .	as Grand Master.				
" JAMES TAYLOR . . . . .	Senior Grand Warden.				
" HENRY G. JORDAN . . . . .	Junior Grand Warden.				
" JOHN CARR . . . . .	Grand Treasurer.				
" SERENO D. NICKERSON . . . .	Recording Grand Secretary.				
" S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . . .	Cor. Grand Secretary.				
" EDWIN B. HOLMES . . . . .	Of Board of Directors.				
" E. BENTLEY YOUNG . . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 1.				
" FRANK VOSE . . . . .	" " " "				2.
" HENRY B. CHANDLER . . . .	" " " "				4.
" THOMAS M. DURELL . . . . .	" " " "				6.
" WILLIAM F. CHESTER . . . .	" " " "				7.
" GREEN DAVIS . . . . .	" " " "				9.
" EDWARD A. FITTS . . . . .	" " " "				10.
" GEORGE H. FOYE . . . . .	" " " "				12.
" DAVID T. REMINGTON . . . .	" " " "				13.
" FRED E. WHITE . . . . .	" " " "				14.
" JOHN E. BRONSON . . . . .	" " " "				16.
" LOVELL L. GAGE . . . . .	" " " "				17.



R.W.	FREDERIC W. SOUTHWICK	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 18.
"	LESTER H. CUDWORTH . . .	" " " " 19.
"	JOHN H. BALCOM . . .	" " " " 20.
"	FRANCIS D. DUNBAR . . .	" " " " 22.
"	HERBERT I. MITCHELL . . .	" " " " 24.
"	CHARLES T. BURR . . .	" " " " 25.
"	JOHN HUXTABLE . . .	" " " " 27.
"	OLIVER H. LINNELL . . .	" " " " 28.
W.	REV. CHARLES A. SKINNER	Grand Chaplain.
"	CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . .	Grand Marshal.
"	GIFFORD H. G. MCGREW . . .	Grand Lecturer.
"	CHARLES W. PARMENTER . . .	Senior Grand Deacon.
"	HENRY S. ROWE . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
"	CLARKE P. HARDING . . .	Senior Grand Steward.
"	J. ALFRED MESSINGER, }	Junior Grand Stewards.
"	CLARENCE O. WALKER, }	
"	Z. L. BICKNELL . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
"	HENRY D. DUPEE, }	Grand Pursuivants.
"	C. WALLIS DAME, }	
Bro.	HOWARD M. DOW . . .	Grand Organist.
"	JOHN H. CHESTER . . .	Grand Tyler.

## PERMANENT MEMBERS PRESENT:

R.W.	CHARLES C. DAME . . .	Past Grand Master.
"	CHARLES A. WELCH . . .	" " "
"	SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE . . .	" " "
"	HENRY ENDICOTT . . .	" " "
"	SAMUEL WELLS . . .	" " "
"	REV. LUCIUS R. PAIGE, D.D.	Past Deputy Grand Master.
"	CHARLES LEVI WOODBURY . . .	" " " "
"	BENJAMIN A. GOULD . . .	" " " "
"	FRANK T. DWINELL . . .	" " " "
"	WILLIAM H. CHESSMAN . . .	Past Grand Warden.
"	CHARLES M. AVERY . . .	" " "
"	WILLIAM T. R. MARVIN . . .	" " "
"	BAALIS SANFORD . . .	" " "
"	ANDREW C. STONE . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES H. NORRIS . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES I. LITCHFIELD . . .	" " "
"	WYZEMAN MARSHALL . . .	" " "

R.W. IVORY H. POPE . . . . .	Past Grand Warden.
“ E. WATERS BURR . . . . .	“ “ “
“ IRVING B. SAYLES . . . . .	“ “ “
“ HENRY G. FAY . . . . .	“ “ “
“ OTIS E. WELD . . . . .	“ “ “
“ THOMAS W. DAVIS . . . . .	“ “ “
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“ CHARLES HARRIS . . . . .	“ “ “
“ DANA J. FLANDERS . . . . .	“ “ “
“ J. ALBERT BLAKE . . . . .	“ “ “
W. EUGENE F. ENDICOTT . . . . .	Of Auditing Committee.
“ LAFAYETTE G. BLAIR . . . . .	Commissioner of Trials.

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	John Foster Bush . .	Senior Warden.

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EUREKA . . . . .	Robert J. Moore . .	Master.
	Henry T. Phillips . .	Senior Warden.
FAITH . . . . .	Jos. H. Whiton . . .	Master.
	James G. Jones . . .	Junior Warden.
GERMANIA . . . .	John B. Ultsch . . .	Junior Warden.
GOLDEN RULE . . .	Arlon S. Atherton .	Master.
	Willis S. Mason . . .	Senior Warden.
GRECIAN . . . . .	Alexander A. Davis .	Junior Warden.
	Charles H. Littlefield	Proxy.
HAMMATT . . . .	Benj. J. Graham . .	Master.
HOPE . . . . .	George E. Walker . .	Master.
HYDE PARK . . . .	Asa J. Adams . . . .	Master.
	Joseph K. Knight . .	Senior Warden.
	Daniel E. Cluff . . .	Junior Warden.
IONIC (Easthampton) .	Charles H. Upson . .	Master.
IONIC (Taunton) . .	Lewis M. Witherell .	Master.
ISAAC PARKER . . .	Newell W. Havener .	Master.
	Lavater W. Powers . .	Senior Warden.
JOHN ABBOT . . . .	Horace L. Eaton . .	Master.
JOHN HANCOCK . . .	Tenney Morse . . . .	Master.
JOSEPH WARREN . . .	William F. Butler . .	Master.
JOSEPH WEBB . . . .	John H. Woodman . .	Master.
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KING CYRUS . . . .	George W. Littlehale	Junior Warden.
KING PHILIP . . . .	John T. Burrill . . .	Master.
KONOHASSETT . . . .	Edward F. Ripley . .	Master.
	Thomas A. Rich . . .	Senior Warden.
LA FAYETTE (Roxbury)	Henry W. Gore . . .	Proxy.
LIBERTY . . . . .	Fred C. Dodge . . . .	Master.
LODGE OF ELEUSIS . .	Walter F. Lansil . .	Master.
	John W. Smith . . . .	Senior Warden.
LODGE OF ST. ANDREW	Charles M. Green . .	Senior Warden.
MACEDONIAN . . . .	Freeland D. Leslie . .	Master.
	Edwin D. Wadsworth	Senior Warden.
MAY FLOWER . . . .	Benjamin F. Tripp . .	Proxy.
MIZPAH . . . . .	Albert K. Hebard . .	Master.
MONITOR . . . . .	Alonzo S. Locke . . .	Master.
	James N. Greenwood	Senior Warden.

MONTACUTE . . .	Enoch Earle . . .	Master.
	Frank M. Heath . .	Senior Warden.
	Robert W. Clifford .	Junior Warden.
MORNING STAR . .	Charles A. Peabody .	Master.
MOUNT CARMEL . .	Josiah F. Kimball .	Master.
	Charles E. Chase . .	Proxy.
MOUNT HERMON . .	J. Gilman Waite . .	Master.
MOUNT HOLIS . . .	John H. Andrews . .	Senior Warden.
	Jarvis B. Woolford .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT HOPE . . .	William S. Greene . .	Master.
	Samuel Smith . . .	Junior Warden.
	James E. McCreery .	Proxy.
MT. HOREB (Harwich)	Frederic Cobb . . .	Master.
	Henry C. Berry . . .	Senior Warden.
MT. HOREB (Woburn)	Alvah J. Foster . . .	Master.
	William H. Bowers . .	Senior Warden.
	Charles M. Howe . . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT LEBANON . .	Gus G. R. Stanwood .	Master.
MOUNT OLIVET . . .	Walter C. Wardwell .	Master.
	Warren P. Dudley . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT TOM . . . .	Jarvis U. Woods . . .	Master.
MOUNT VERNON . .	Edward G. Wise . . .	Master.
	Winslow B. Southworth	Junior Warden.
NARRAGANSETT . .	Frank A. Pease . . .	Master.
NORFOLK UNION . .	Frank C. Granger . .	Junior Warden.
OLD COLONY . . . .	Charles H. Marble . .	Master.
	George S. Marsh . . .	Senior Warden.
OLIVE BRANCH . . .	Lyman S. Waters . . .	Junior Warden.
ORANGE . . . . .	Fred N. Johnson . . .	Junior Warden.
ORPHAN'S HOPE . .	Herbert A. Newton . .	Master.
	William T. Rice . . .	Senior Warden.
	William Humphrey . .	Proxy.
PACIFIC . . . . .	George E. Fisher . . .	Master.
	Walter M. Dickinson .	Senior Warden.
PALESTINE . . . . .	Charles Bruce . . . .	Junior Warden.
	Columbus Corey . . .	Proxy.
PEQUOSSETTE . . . .	Benj. W. Brown . . .	Master.
PHILANTHROPIC . .	Stephen W. Power . . .	Master.
PILGRIM . . . . .	Charles E. Hamer . . .	Master.
PLYMOUTH . . . . .	C. Fred Howe . . . .	Junior Warden.

PROSPECT . . . . .	Harrison Dunham . . .	Senior Warden.
PURITAN . . . . .	Joseph D. Benson . . .	Master.
	George L. Paine . . .	Junior Warden.
QUINSIGAMOND . . .	Isaac N. Duke . . .	Master.
RABONI . . . . .	Charles F. Kelly . . .	Master.
	George A. Crawford . .	Senior Warden.
REPUBLICAN . . . . .	Dana Malone . . .	Master.
REVERE . . . . .	E. Loring Richards . .	Master.
RISING STAR . . . .	George F. Walker . . .	Proxy.
ROSWELL LEE . . . .	Benj. C. Harvey . . .	Master.
RURAL . . . . .	Chas. L. Hammond . .	Master.
	William P. Chase, Jr. .	Proxy.
SAGGAHEW . . . . .	Edwin W. Andrews . .	Proxy.
SAINT JOHN'S (Chile) .	John L. Stevenson . .	Proxy.
SAINT MARK'S . . . .	David Foss . . .	Master.
SAINT PAUL . . . . .	E. Dana Bancroft . .	Proxy.
SATUIT . . . . .	Charles R. Folsom . .	Master.
	Nehemiah T. Merritt .	Proxy.
SILOAM . . . . .	Samuel A. Tyler . . .	Master.
	Forrest R. Kingsbury .	Senior Warden.
	Frank W. Bullard . .	Proxy.
SIMON W. ROBINSON . .	George W. Sampson . .	Senior Warden.
SOCIAL HARMONY . . .	Benjamin Waters . . .	Senior Warden.
STAR . . . . .	John E. French . . .	Senior Warden.
	Frank M. Foss . . .	Junior Warden.
STAR IN THE EAST . .	Bartholomew Otheman .	Master.
	Peleg H. S. W. Allen .	Senior Warden.
	John L. G. Mason . .	Junior Warden.
STAR OF BETHLEHEM .	Henry Spavin . . .	Master.
TRINITY . . . . .	George B. Dinsmore . .	Senior Warden.
TYRIAN . . . . .	Joseph H. Rowe . . .	Master.
	Warren A. Bennett . .	Senior Warden.
	James C. Richardson .	Junior Warden.
UNION (Dorchester) . .	Arthur H. Littlefield .	Master.
UNION (Nantucket) . .	Henry Paddock . . .	Proxy.
WASHINGTON . . . .	Albert E. Carr . . .	Master.
WILDER . . . . .	Harry L. Pierce . . .	Proxy.
WILLIAM NORTH . . .	Harry K. Boardman . .	Master.
WILLIAM PARKMAN . .	John H. Winchenbach .	Master.
WILLIAM SUTTON . . .	Fred C. Newhall . . .	Master.

WILLIAM SUTTON . .	George B. Litchfield .	Junior Warden.
	Henry J. Mills . .	Proxy.
WINTHROP . . . .	Lewis A. Wallon . .	Master.
ZETLAND . . . .	Frank W. Wise . .	Master.
	Horace A. Wallingford	Senior Warden.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FORM, at two o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Rev. Charles A. Skinner, Grand Chaplain.

#### RECEPTION OF PAST GRAND MASTER LAURIE.

The Grand Master introduced M.W. Bro. John Winburn Laurie, Lieut. General of the British Army, lately commanding Her Majesty's forces in Nova Scotia, and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

General Laurie was greeted with the grand honors, and in acknowledging the same said :

R.W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER ON THE THRONE: Under ordinary circumstances, in addressing your Grand Lodge, I should probably have referred to the relations that have existed between the Grand Lodge over which you so worthily preside, and that with which I was for so many years connected, as the presiding officer. Those relations are most close and intimate, through the subordinate Lodges, many of whose members are so frequently passing to and fro between the two jurisdictions. But to-day, I feel, there is but one thought in your minds, but one topic on which I can fittingly touch.

The solemn strains of the impressive "Dead March in Saul," to which we entered this Hall, brought again to my mind the sad loss your Grand Lodge has sustained, the sad *calamity* which has befallen you. I say, advisedly, *calamity*, and yet as I listened to the fervent appeal of your Grand Chaplain to the Grand Architect of the Universe, and the touching manner in which he expressed gratitude for the many noble qualities of our deceased Brother, for the bright example he had given to his Brethren and to the world at large; I felt, as we all must have felt, that whilst we cannot venture to draw aside the veil that protects the sacredness of the family sorrow, we, as fellow-members of the Craft, may at least feel, that in endeavoring to live up to the example he set for us, and to which the suddenness of his removal has so prominently called our attention, we shall best do our duty to him, whom his Brethren so warmly esteemed, by raising higher our own ways of thought and habits of life; and that thus our loss, great as it is, may in that sense be a gain to the Fraternity.

In expressing, on behalf of the jurisdiction of which I was for so long a time the Grand Master, and on behalf of the Grand Lodge of England, under which I first saw Masonic light nearly forty years ago, the sympathy we feel in your loss, I cannot help calling to mind, how, when what was believed to be an overpowering calamity overtook the Grand Lodge of England, hearty expressions of sympathy were showered upon us from our Brethren on this side of the Atlantic. I allude to the secession of our then Grand Master, the Earl of Ripon, to the Church of Rome, who, in compliance with the rule prescribed by that church, resigned

the position of Grand Master and all connection with the Craft. It was a reasonably conceived idea, that that action, taken by a Brother whom the Craft in the old country had selected as a capable and highly qualified head, would be a staggering blow. The Fraternity at large so regarded it; but out of expected evil good often comes, and in the dire emergency the Prince of Wales came forward and offered his services in any way that would be most advantageous to the Craft. He was elected, and afterwards installed, Grand Master, in the presence of ten thousand persons in the Albert Hall. It is believed that since that date, the Craft in England has more than doubled in numbers.

I should not have alluded to what may at first seem such a purely domestic matter, but I desire to point out that Masonic sympathy, either in sorrow or joy, is not bounded by the limits of any Masonic jurisdiction.

It was my fortune to represent my Grand Lodge, at a very important Masonic ceremony, in one of your neighboring jurisdictions, just after the Prince of Wales had taken upon himself the duties of Grand Master. All thinking Masons fully realized how the blow, aimed at the Craft, had been not merely warded off, but how the English Grand Lodge had gained by the change, and the mention of the Prince's name, as Grand Master of England, aroused such a storm of enthusiasm as I have rarely seen surpassed. It was the realization that the intended Balaam-like cursing had been averted and turned into a blessing.

As you felt for us, English Masons, in the time of our distress, and rejoiced with us when we rejoiced, so I claim, on behalf of English and Nova Scotian Masons, to



share in your sorrow to-day, and pray that it may be ordered by the All-wise Dispenser of events, that the example set by him you mourn, and who has but gone before, may be to you a gracious inheritance and, in its results, bring you much good.

On behalf of the Grand Lodges I have named, I desire to offer you sincere sympathy, and for your kind reception of me to-day, very hearty thanks.

The reading of the Record of the Quarterly Communication of June 14, 1893, was dispensed with, the same being in print. The Records of the Special Communications at Milton, June 28, and at Boston, August 1, 1893, were read and approved.

#### PROXIES RECOGNIZED.

Proxies from the following-named Lodges were presented, and, being found in form, the Brethren designated were duly recognized :

HUELEN LODGE, Santiago, Chile. in favor of R.W. Bro. WARREN B. ELLIS.

ISAAC PARKER LODGE, Waltham, in favor of W. Bro. CHARLES C. BYAM.

LAFAYETTE LODGE, Roxbury, in favor of W. Bro. HENRY W. GORE.

MOUNT CARMEL LODGE, Lynn, in favor of Bro. CHARLES E. CHASE.

MOUNT HOPE LODGE, Fall River, in favor of W. Bro. JAMES E. MCCREERY.

UNION LODGE, Nantucket, in favor of R.W. Bro. HENRY PADDACK.

SERVICE IN MEMORY OF GRAND MASTER BRIGGS.

The Mendelssohn Quartet sang

"I cannot always trace the way,"

the music of which was composed by the Grand Organist, Bro. Howard M. Dow.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF HIS DEATH.

R.W. Brother Shepard addressed the Grand Lodge as follows :

Since last we came together, Brethren, in Grand Lodge. the sad angel of death has been in our midst and taken away him who was our most honored member. If we might choose, though, the way in which we should go, no better lot than that of our beloved Grand Master will happen to any of us. He fell in the midst of life and while in the customary attendance upon the demands of his business. without long and lingering pain and suffering. He left to his widow and children a priceless heritage: a spotless name and an unsullied reputation. With the good will and tender love of all who knew him, the boat has passed from our shore, out upon the dark river and across to the portals of the Celestial Lodge, into the presence of the Supreme Master, our Creator and Heavenly Father. We mourn not for him, but for our own loss, in that we must learn to do

without the genial greeting, the cheerful smile, and the warm hand-grasp of our friend and Brother.

“ Freed from the strife of this world and the scorn of it,  
Peaceful he sleeps 'neath the emerald green,  
Never ambition, nor sorrow that's born of it,  
Sceptre or cross can afflict him again.  
Stars will watch over him; silence lament for him;  
Soft murmuring breezes re-echo his knell;  
Bird-note and leaf-murmur tenderly blent for him;  
Comrade and Brother and friend, fare thee well.”

During more than two score years he had been a Mason; a member of three Lodges meeting in this Temple: Columbian, Revere, and Eleusis; a charter member of the last two and also Past Master of both. For a quarter of a century he had been connected with this Most Worshipful Body; and in the heart of no one beat a more fervent devotion to the Fraternity, nor a greater willingness to give it the best of his time and services.

How glad we all were when in December he was elected unanimously Grand Master of Masons of this Commonwealth. It was characteristic of Richard Briggs that his first official act looked to the provision of a Masonic Home for poor and needy Brethren and their widows and little ones. It was not for him to build a Temple, nor to free it from the burden of oppressive debt. These privileges and distinctions belonged to other eminent men who had preceded and now survive him. A great and worthy charity, however, relieving sorrow and assuaging pain, founded during his administration, would have been a privilege and distinction full of satisfaction to his kindly nature. No better

tribute to his memory can we provide than to carry on and complete this beneficent enterprise.

The tidings of his death came unexpectedly to many of us, while away from our homes and places of business on vacation. I personally must ever regret that a summons, though despatched on electric wings, could not reach me in time, that I might return for the last sad look upon the mortal remains of our beloved Brother. On your behalf, though, and as your representative, I have made official announcement of our loss to Masons throughout the world, and have directed the draping of our altars for a period of three months.

And now, my Brethren, called so suddenly to the important responsibilities of this high office, deeply conscious of my own failings, with many misgivings, and yet with a resolute purpose to perform with all my mind and with all my strength the whole of its duties, however great and however small, I appeal to you for support and aid, to your generous charity to bear with my faults and to your wisdom to counsel and cheer me, and I can assure you, my Brethren, on my part the most sincere thanks and devotion of a grateful heart.

The Quartet sang a selection by the poet Whittier :

“Yet in the maddening maze of things.”

The Grand Chaplain, W. Rev. Charles A. Skinner, read selections from the Scriptures, appropriate to the occasion.

The Quartet sang the hymn “Rock of Ages.”

R.W. Samuel Wells, in behalf of the committee, presented the following Memorial, which was accepted and adopted by a rising vote, and ordered to be spread upon the Records:

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, Sept. 18, 1898.

On Saturday, July 29, 1893, the Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, M.W. Richard Briggs, died suddenly, after a brief illness. The news of this great loss shocked and grieved the Masonic Fraternity, and fell as a great blow upon the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

Chosen to this high office on Dec. 14, 1892, and installed on the 27th of the same month, he had hardly completed the first half year of the term for which he was elected.

Although he accepted the office at a sacrifice of his personal convenience, he threw himself into the performance of its duties with characteristic energy, and in the brief period in which he was permitted to work, he won the respect and admiration of the whole jurisdiction.

For more than one hundred years the Grand Masters of this Grand Lodge have all lived through their terms of office, and not since 1787 has this Body been called to mourn the loss of a Grand Master in office. The second to hold that office in Massachusetts, Robert Tomlinson, who succeeded Henry Price, was commissioned by the Earl of Loudon, Dec. 7, 1736. He was supposed to have died in 1740, on the Island of Antigua, but the circumstance and date of his death were never known. His successor, Thomas Oxnard, was commissioned Sept. 23, 1743. On Tuesday, June 26, 1754, he died, after a lingering illness,

in the fifty-first year of his age, having held the office of Grand Master for eleven years. His death took place on the day of the celebration of the Feast of St. John the Baptist.

On Oct. 1, 1755, Jeremy Gridley was installed as Grand Master, with great pomp and ceremony, at Concert Hall. He was the Attorney General of the Province, and was distinguished for his classical attainments and learning. He served as Grand Master until his death, on Sept. 10, 1767. His funeral was attended by the Grand Lodge, the military and the principal officers of the Province.

His successor, John Rowe, was installed Nov. 23, 1768, and served until his death, on Feb. 17, 1787.

These Grand Masters, whose deaths have been mentioned, were at the head of that Body of Masons known as the St. John's or Modern Grand Lodge.

Gen. Joseph Warren organized a Provincial Grand Lodge on Dec. 27, 1769, which was known as the Massachusetts or Ancient Grand Lodge. He served as Grand Master of that Grand Lodge until he was killed in the battle of Bunker Hill, on June 17, 1775.

On March 8, 1777, his Deputy Grand Master, Col. Joseph Webb, was chosen Grand Master, and thus became the head of the first independent Grand Lodge in America, all prior Grand Masters on this continent having derived their authority from the Grand Masters of England and Scotland. He served until his death, on April 26, 1787, except one year, when the office was filled by Dr. John Warren, a brother of General Warren.

This brief reference to the Grand Masters who died in

office shows the importance of the event to the Grand Lodge, and the long time that has elapsed since its previous occurrence.

Richard Briggs was a native of this Commonwealth. The first ancestor of whom we have any knowledge was Richard Briggs<sup>1</sup>, who married Rebecca Hoskins, at Taunton, Mass., Aug. 15, 1662. Deacon Richard Briggs<sup>2</sup>, born Jan. 12, 1679, married Mercy Kingsbury, at Wrentham, Mass., in 1706 or 1708. He died Oct. 27, 1732. Deacon Richard Briggs<sup>3</sup>, born in 1711, at Norton, Mass., married Abigail Andros, March 9, 1733. Rev. Ephraim Briggs<sup>4</sup>, born April 19, 1736, in that part of Wrentham now Mansfield, married Rebecca Waterman, April 5, 1765, and died in Halifax, Mass., Dec. 22, 1799. He graduated at Harvard College in 1764. John Kingsbury Briggs<sup>5</sup>, born Dec. 9, 1794, at Halifax, Mass., died in South Dedham, now Norwood, Dec. 26, 1843; received the degree of M.D. from Brown University in 1820; married Hannah Chickering, Feb. 2, 1826. He was raised in Constellation Lodge, of Dedham, Feb. 15, 1821, and was its Secretary in 1823 and 1824. He was a signer of the famous Declaration of the Freemasons of 1831.

Richard Briggs<sup>6</sup> was born in Dedham, Aug. 23, 1829. When a boy of sixteen he was employed by Sumner & Co., dealers in crockery, having a store at the corner of Washington and School Streets, in Boston, and at the age of twenty-one became a member of the firm. Ten years later he was sole proprietor of the business and continued it in the same location until his death, thus occupying the same store for nearly half a century.

His Masonic career began in 1852, when he became a member of Columbian Lodge, of Boston. When some of his friends proposed the establishment of a new Lodge in 1856, he united with them and was a charter member of Revere Lodge. In this Lodge he held the offices of Junior Deacon, Junior Warden, Senior Warden and Worshipful Master. He was also a charter member of the Lodge of Eleusis in which he was Senior Warden and Worshipful Master.

In Capitular Masonry he held offices and became Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts.

He was a member of Boston Council of Royal and Select Masters.

He was much interested in Templar Masonry, receiving the orders of Knighthood in Boston Commandery in 1856. He was a charter member of St. Bernard Commandery, and its first Recorder, holding that office from 1858 to 1885, when he was chosen Eminent Commander. He received all the degrees of the Ancient Accepted Rite, except the Thirty-third and last degree, to which he was elected in September, 1892, and which was to have been conferred upon him, had he survived, at the meeting of the Supreme Council at Chicago in September, 1893.

In this Grand Lodge he served as Junior Grand Warden in 1870. In 1867, and again in 1891, he was elected to the office of Director, which office he resigned on Dec. 14, 1892, when he was chosen to fill the highest Masonic office in this jurisdiction, that of Grand Master.

Richard Briggs was remarkable not only for his integrity and uprightness in all the relations of life, but for the fidel-



ity and care with which he performed all the duties entrusted to him. He would not accept any position of trust and responsibility unless he could see his way to do all that was required or expected. In the office of Grand Master he was absolutely faithful to the trust, even when suffering from the illness which finally and suddenly snapped the thread of life and removed him from our midst.

To his personal friends his presence had a charm and a blessing that can never be forgotten, and to all assemblies and to all men and Brethren he was a welcome visitor.

Let us remember him with reverence and love, and strive to imitate his virtues.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL WELLS,

E. LORING RICHARDS,

WALTER F. LANSIL,

*Committee.*

The Memorial Service was closed with the singing by the Quartet of the sacred selection :

" 'Twill not be long."

ADDRESS OF R.W. BRO. PAIGE.

Rev. Lucius R. Paige, D.D., now in his ninety-second year, addressed the Chair as follows :

R.W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER: I intended, at this session of the Grand Lodge, to resign my office as a Trus-

tee of the Masonic Education and Charity Trust, old age and infirmity having rendered me unable to perform its duties. But as that office will terminate, by its own limitation, at the next annual meeting, I have been persuaded to withhold my resignation. Although there is not the slightest probability that the Grand Lodge would even offer to place such an old man in that important office, I may be pardoned for making the useless declaration that I am not a candidate for reelection. I must thus discontinue all active service to the Masonic Institution, with which I have so long been connected.

Some of my Brethren have supposed me to be the "oldest Mason" in Massachusetts; but I do not entertain that opinion. I think there may be others still living, who received the degrees before they were conferred on me. I do not doubt, however, that I am *one of the oldest*. I was made a Mason on the 9th day of April, 1824, almost seventy years ago, being then a "sojourner" at Little Falls, N.Y. As an "object lesson," indicating the remoteness of that period, I may mention the fact that although the sprinkling of gray hairs on the head of Brother Skinner, our reverend Grand Chaplain, gives him a somewhat venerable appearance, I was a Mason ten days before he was born; and among other marks of antiquity which I bear, I may remind you that since the deaths of R.W. Brothers Abraham A. Dame, Eleazer M. P. Wells and George G. Smith, in 1878, almost fifteen years ago, I have been the senior Permanent Member of this Grand Lodge.

Moreover, I think that I might reasonably claim

seniority as a Past Master. On the 13th day of September, 1826, sixty-seven years ago to-day, and at about this hour in the afternoon, I was elected Master of Mount Zion Lodge, then located in Hardwick, my native town, but since removed to Barre. To-day, therefore, is to me a very interesting anniversary. Perhaps others are still living in this jurisdiction, who were thus honored at an earlier date; but I doubt whether a single one can be found.

This is not designed to be a farewell address; for I intend to visit the Grand Lodge again, if life and sufficient strength be spared. Though unable to hear the voices, it is pleasant to look in the faces of so many Brethren, and mentally compare the present season of peace and prosperity with that dismal period, sixty years ago, when the furious tempest of anti-Masonry swept over the land, leaving desolation in its path.

Whether I meet you again in Grand Lodge or not, I hope I may never forfeit your friendship and good-will; but rather that I may be met as a true and loyal Brother, and remembered as one who endeavored to walk uprightly before God and man, as strictly charged when he stood in the north-east corner of the Lodge as the youngest Entered Apprentice.

#### AMENDMENT TO GRAND CONSTITUTIONS.

R.W. Samuel C. Lawrence, in behalf of the committee, presented the following report :

IN GRAND LODGE, Sept. 13, 1893.

The committee appointed to consider the subject of the assignment of rank or position in the Grand Lodge to the members of the Board of Directors, respectfully report that they have given careful consideration to the subject, and are unanimously of the opinion that the proposition is one which should meet the acceptance of the Brethren. It is really a matter of surprise that the propriety of such action has not earlier suggested itself.

While the Grand Lodge exercises all the legislative functions of the Corporation, it provides in its Constitutions that the Board of Directors "shall have full power to do and transact any and all business of the Corporation in any way relating to its property, real and personal;" so that the Board of Directors practically have the entire charge of the property and the financial affairs of the Corporation, under such instructions as the Grand Lodge may from time to time give them.

It is evident that the duties which devolve upon the Board of Directors are of a highly important and responsible nature, and it is equally evident that through a long period of years they have been discharged to the entire satisfaction of the Craft. It is eminently proper, then, that an office of such responsibility should be dignified by the assignment of a definite rank and title in the Grand Lodge.

The committee therefore recommend that the proposed amendment to the Grand Constitutions be adopted, as follows:

Amend Part I., Article II., Section 1, by inserting

after "10. R.W. Corresponding Grand Secretary," the following: "11. R.W. Directors," and re-numbering the succeeding titles accordingly.

Fraternally submitted,

SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE,

WILLIAM WHITE,

FRANK K. STEARNS,

*Committee.*

The report was accepted, and the amendment was unanimously adopted.

#### INSTALLATION OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

The Deputy Grand Master announced that R.W. Benjamin L. M. Tower had felt compelled, on account of the state of his health, to resign his commission as District Deputy Grand Master for the First Masonic District, and the vacancy had been filled by the appointment of W. Bro. Edward Bentley Young, Past Master of Columbian Lodge, of Boston. Brother Young was thereupon installed in his new office in DUE FORM.

#### REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS OF TRIALS — CASE OF W. H. L. B——.

The Recording Grand Secretary presented the following report, which was accepted and the recommendation adopted.

IN GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS, Sept. 13, 1893.

The Board of Commissioners of Trials, to whom was referred the complaint against Brother W. H. L. B——, a member of —— Lodge, beg leave to report:

That the accused, from carelessness or otherwise, retained for a year or more a fee entrusted to him by a person who desired to receive the degrees in Freemasonry in that Lodge, but afterwards paid over the sum so received by him, or caused the same to be paid.

This conduct was exceedingly reprehensible, perhaps disgraceful. But, considering that the money was eventually paid to the Lodge by him, or in his behalf, and that the action already taken, by complaint made to the Grand Lodge and its reference to and hearing by the Commissioners of Trials, is no slight punishment; we are of opinion that the case may be dismissed and no further action be taken thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. WELCH,

CHARLES T. GALLAGHER,

ALBERT L. HARWOOD,

*For the Commissioners of Trials.*

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS AND CHARTERS.

R.W. Frank T. Dwinell, in behalf of the committee, presented the following report, which was accepted:

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, Sept. 13, 1893.

The Committee on By-Laws and Charters have examined and approved, without change, amendments to the By-

Laws of Alpha Lodge, of South Framingham; Old Colony Lodge, of Hingham; and Mount Lebanon Lodge, of Boston.

They have also examined and approved, with such changes as were necessary, the full codes submitted by Saint Paul Lodge, of Ayer; and Amity Lodge, of Danvers.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ENDICOTT,

FRANK T. DWINELL,

HENRY G. FAY,

*Committee on By-Laws and Charters.*

R.W. Bro. Thorndike presented the following

REPORT UPON THE ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE GRAND  
MASTER FOR 1892:

IN GRAND LODGE, Sept. 13, 1893.

It is a task of mingled pain and pleasure to make report upon the farewell Address of one of the ablest Grand Masters that has ever sat in the East of the Grand Lodge. A man of liberal education, eminent in a learned profession, known in many circles, public and private, outside of the Fraternity, and respected in all, Bro. Wells has adorned his office not only by all Masonic graces, but by the practical wisdom of a man of affairs and the cultivation of a scholar.

His administration of three years has been marked by the steady and healthy growth of Masonry throughout the Commonwealth. New Lodges have been constituted and the

membership of old Lodges has almost everywhere increased. It is believed that this growth has rarely been more rapid than the true interests of the Fraternity demand. If the contrary has sometimes been the case, it has not been the fault of Bro. Wells' administration. His influence has constantly been thrown in the opposite direction. It may be remarked, in passing, that this is a point upon which we can never be too much upon our guard. It is no reason for constituting a Lodge of Masons, or for admitting a man to the benefits of Masonry, that if the privilege be denied the growth of some other fraternity may be promoted. Freemasonry can well afford to stand by itself, without reference to other organizations. It may also be observed that in the year immediately under consideration but one new Lodge has been constituted.

Among other things characteristic of the growth of Masonry in the years of Bro. Wells' administration has been its increase in wealth, as shown by the building and dedication of new and vastly improved Lodge-rooms. There is no tenet of the Order more significant or better established than that which holds that the spirit of Masonry exists as fully in the poorest room furnished only with the Holy Bible, Square and Compasses, as in the grandest edifice which its architects ever reared. Still we must admit the advantage of a finer dwelling — a finer presentment of Masonry not only to others, but to ourselves. It is not merely the increase of social accommodation — not merely the greater facility and impressiveness in the working of our degrees, not merely the more important aspect which we present to the world at large, — it is also



the fact that we dedicate something of our substance and our means to illustrate and adorn the Institution itself. We build a more splendid temple to the faith which we profess.

Bro. Wells' Address is the record of a busy year. Besides the stated work of the Grand Lodge, he made eighteen visitations and held eleven Special Communications. He constituted one new Lodge, dedicated five new Masonic Halls, and laid the corner-stones of one Masonic and two civic buildings. He also conducted two funerals, of which one was that of our beloved Grand Chaplain, Bro. Munroe; the other, of one whose memory should be ever green among Masons, the purest embodiment of the spirit of Masonry which the present day has seen, the connecting link for all of us, young or old, between the present and the far distant past, Bro. William Parkman.

This is surely a record upon which Bro. Wells may retire with pleasure to himself and honor to the Fraternity. So we receive at his hands the office which he has filled so well and which he now lays down, and we cordially respond to the hope which he himself expresses that he does not bid us farewell, but only steps a little aside, to go in and out among us for many years.

The only matter upon which the Address makes a specific suggestion is the provision of our Constitutions which has caused a hardship of such frequent occurrence that it has come to be known by a familiar name, "perpetual jurisdiction." Part Fourth of the Constitutions provides in Article III., Section 2, as follows: "No

candidate, whose application may be rejected by a Lodge, shall be proposed in any other Lodge under this jurisdiction within six months after such rejection; nor shall any candidate be proposed in any Lodge, other than the one to which he first applied, without a written recommendation from six members of the said Lodge, of whom the Master and Wardens shall be three."

Hence arises the claim of "perpetual jurisdiction" in the first Lodge, which from repeated cases of hardship has come to be considered odious. Even if another Lodge accepts the rejected candidate, he is still for all his life a clandestine Mason, not entitled to visit a Lodge or to be recognized as a Brother. Even if the Lodge accepting him be without this jurisdiction, he is still within this Commonwealth a clandestine Mason, until our Grand Lodge heals him. He may have led for years an irreproachable life in another country, or in a remote part of this country, but the Lodge to which he first applied still keeps its controlling hand upon him.

Some other jurisdictions, while admitting the prior hold of the first Lodge, have thought it wise to limit it to a term of years. This is what the Grand Master recommends. Maine makes the limit five years. In Rhode Island it is seven years. The term of seven years, which has somewhat fancifully been taken, both in law and in physiology, as a period of human life within which things may be supposed to have changed, may well be recommended as a fit limit.

It seems at first as if the objectionable Section might be sufficiently amended by the mere insertion of some such clause

as, "until after the lapse of seven years." But upon further examination it seems better to revise the whole Article, which bears the appearance of having been occasionally tinkered and of the joiner-work not being very well done. There are not only redundancies and awkwardnesses of expression, but also sentences which leave a doubt as to exactly what is meant; and there is at least one absolute inconsistency: No candidate rejected by a Lodge "shall be proposed in any other Lodge under this jurisdiction within six months." He may apparently be again proposed immediately to the rejecting Lodge. But presently we see that any Brother recommending him within six months "*to any Lodge whatever*" may himself be expelled. Your committee therefore recommends the appointment of a committee to revise Article III. of Part IV. of the Constitutions, concerning "Initiation of candidates," and to report such revision in a fresh draft.

Respectfully submitted,

S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE,

CHARLES H. NORRIS,

SAMUEL B. SPOONER,

*Committee.*

The report was accepted, the recommendation was adopted, and the proposed revision of Article III. of Part IV. was referred to R.W. Brother George H. Rhodes and W. Bros. Edwin G. McInnes and Walter C. Wardwell.

## APPROPRIATION FOR CHARITY.

Upon motion of W. Bro. Bicknell it was *Voted*, That the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for the use of the Committee on Charity, to be disbursed under the supervision of the Board of Directors.

## GENERAL MASONIC RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

The Recording Grand Secretary announced that the Annual Meeting of the General Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada would be held in Sutton Hall on the 25th inst., and that all Master Masons who felt interested in the work of that organization were cordially invited to attend.

## CLOSING.

No further business being presented, prayer was offered by W. Rev. Charles A. Skinner, Grand Chaplain, a hymn was sung, and the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM, at forty-five minutes after three o'clock P.M.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno D. Nickerson.*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT SPRINGFIELD.

OCTOBER 24, A.L. 5893.

## DEDICATION OF MASONIC TEMPLE.

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in the city of Springfield, on Tuesday, the twenty-fourth day of October, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893, for the purpose of dedicating the new Masonic Temple in that city.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD . . .	as Grand Master.
" HENRY G. FAY . . . .	as Deputy Grand Master.
" JAMES TAYLOR . . . .	Senior Grand Warden.
" HENRY G. JORDAN . . . .	Junior Grand Warden.
" DAVID W. CRAFTS . . . .	Past Grand Warden.
" CHARLES C. SPELLMAN . . .	" " "
" SAMUEL B. SPOONER . . . .	" " "
" CHARLES HARRIS . . . .	as Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON . . .	Recording Grand Secretary.
" DAVID T. REMINGTON . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 13.
" JOHN E. BRONSON . . . .	" " " " 16.
" LOVELL L. GAGE . . . .	" " " " 17.

W.	REV. JOHN CUCKSON . . . . .	Grand Chaplain.
"	CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . . . .	Grand Marshal.
"	GIFFORD H. G. MCGREW . . . .	Grand Lecturer.
"	EDWIN B. HOLMES . . . . .	as Senior Grand Deacon.
"	HENRY S. ROWE . . . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
Bro.	JOHN H. CHESTER . . . . .	Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FORM, in one of the reception rooms of the new edifice, at fifteen minutes after one o'clock P.M. A procession of the Grand Officers was formed and escorted by a committee of Past Masters, of which R.W. Samuel B. Spooner was chairman, to the principal Hall, where Hampden and Roswell Lee Lodges were assembled, together with many visiting Brethren from the neighboring Lodges, W. Bro. Henry A. Prouty, Master of Hampden Lodge, presiding. The Grand Officers were received with a few graceful words of welcome by Bro. Prouty, who then resigned the Oriental Chair to the Acting Grand Master, and the other Grand Officers assumed their respective stations. An ode appropriate to the occasion was sung by the Springfield Quartet, and W. Rev. John Cuckson, Grand Chaplain, invoked the Divine blessing upon the place and the assembly.

The architect, Bro. Francis R. Richmond, sur-

rendered the working tools. W. Bro. Prouty, in behalf of the two Lodges, invited an examination of the new building, and, if it should be approved, requested that it might be dedicated in accordance with ancient form. The Acting Grand Master accordingly ordered an examination to be made by the Grand Officers.

The report being satisfactory, the ceremony proceeded with fervent prayer, appropriate music and solemn circum-ambulation. Pouring Corn, and Wine, and Oil upon the Lodge, the Acting Grand Master did solemnly dedicate the new apartments to Freemasonry, to Virtue, and to Universal Benevolence ; and the Grand Marshal made proclamation accordingly.

The Grand Officers then withdrew to the place of opening, and the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM at 2.15 P.M.

Hampden and Roswell Lee Lodges having been duly closed, the Brethren of those Lodges, together with their guests from other Lodges and the Grand Officers, assumed their appropriate places in a procession, and were escorted in a brief march through some of the principal streets to the City Hall, where a bountiful col-

lation had been set forth, which was highly enjoyed by all.

At 6 o'clock P.M., the Grand Officers bade farewell to their generous hosts and took the train for Boston, with the most agreeable recollections of the duties and pleasures of the day.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno L. Nickerson,*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*



## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT CHELSEA.

NOVEMBER 15, A.L. 5893.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL OF STAR OF BETHLEHEM LODGE.

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
 WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT  
 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMON-  
 WEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in the  
 city of Chelsea, on Wednesday, the fifteenth  
 day of November, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893, for  
 the purpose of participating in the celebration  
 of the fiftieth anniversary of the institution of  
 Star of Bethlehem Lodge.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD . . . as Grand Master.  
 " DANIEL G. CRANDON . . . as Senior Grand Warden.  
 " HENRY G. JORDAN . . . Junior Grand Warden.  
 " JOHN CARR . . . Grand Treasurer.  
 " SERENO D. NICKERSON . . . Recording Grand Secretary.  
 " JOHN STALKER . . . D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 3.  
 W. REV. CHARLES A. SKINNER . Grand Chaplain.  
 " HENRY G. FAY . . . as Grand Marshal.  
 Bro. CHARLES G. BIRD . . . as Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE  
 FORM, at eight o'clock P.M., in one of the

ante-rooms adjoining the Masonic Hall. A procession of the Grand Officers was formed by the Grand Marshal and escorted by a committee of Past Masters to the Lodge-room, where the Brethren of Star of Bethlehem Lodge, with invited guests, the officers of neighboring Lodges, were assembled to the number of nearly three hundred.

The Acting Grand Master was gracefully welcomed by the W. Master, Bro. Henry Spavin, and, after an appropriate response by His Worship, the Grand Officers took seats in the East.

The W. Master gave an interesting account of an interview with the oldest living Past Master of the Lodge, W. John Low, who on that day reached the age of 85 years. The infirmities of age, and the, to him, somewhat sad associations of the anniversary, prevented the attendance of the venerable Brother; but he commissioned the W. Master to assure the Lodge that he should be with them in spirit, and that while life lasted he should cherish the warmest interest in its affairs.

The following interesting Address was read by Rev. Bro. R. Perry Bush:

WORSHIPFUL MASTER AND BRETHREN: It is with an earnest sense of the honor you confer upon me, that I appear to-night as the historian of this Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons. It is an event most worthy of sacred commemoration, when an institution which has sustained the part which this Lodge has performed in public affairs and private life has reached its semi-centennial. My regard for the Masonic Fraternity throughout the world; my interest in the advance of truth and virtue; my close friendship with so many of you who listen to my voice; all tend to impress upon me the deep significance of this occasion; for of all the angels who attend the path of man, none is more radiant with beauty than Memory! It is she who keeps the tapers always burning on the altars of love. It is she who preserves for us the faces long since hidden from earthly eyes and the voices hushed in silence while we yet were young. It is she who guides our footsteps over all the old familiar ways, where time and change have removed the landmarks. It is she who makes the future bright with anticipation, as beneath her magic touch we picture to-morrow as completing in grandeur the work of the fathers which we are striving to advance. Blessed, thrice blessed is Memory! And blessed be this hour which we dedicate to a review of the past and the inspiration of those upon whose shoulders has fallen the mantle of worthy sires.

I count it a privilege that I am permitted to share your celebration, and I bring you my prayer that it may redound to the glory of Freemasonry and the furthering of those exalted principles for which you stand. If I

be not as conversant as I might with the details of your history, I am certainly appreciative of the work that you have done, and at one with you in your present efforts and intent. To me the cause you represent is most exalted and the name you bear typical of the purposes you cherish.

The Star of Bethlehem of old guided the wise men of the East to the manger of the Christ; and through all the ages since, it has lent its gleaming to direct humanity along the avenues of the highest civilization and divinest character. This Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons may well cherish with pride *that lofty appellation*, for *it* has ever lent *its* aid to the best life and the chiefest interests of this community. It stands here in this goodly city of Chelsea for all that is worthiest in man's nature and possibility. Within the circle of its fellowship all the graces of truest character are cultivated; and example and inspiration are afforded to him who would rightly fulfil his obligations to his Creator and his fellows. It is good, therefore, that we mark the fiftieth anniversary of the institution of this Lodge with such ceremonies as shall lead us to a recognition of the influence it has exerted and the objects to which as Masons our lives are dedicated. To you, Brethren of the Star of Bethlehem, belongs an honor in which you may rejoice with exceeding great joy; for yours was the first Masonic Charter which was granted posterior to that war against our Fraternity which for two decades followed the year 1825. They whom you hold in veneration as the founders of your Lodge were the first to light again the fires of Freemasonry, after those stormy

days in which such fires had been everywhere quenched by injustice and inappreciation. We learn from records yellow with age that on the 15th of September, 1843, at the house of Bro. H. G. Barrus, the first organized meeting was held, and the seed was planted from which a most abundant fruitage has come.

Little do we realize, Brethren, what mighty forces the most insignificant instruments may set in motion. The best and the worst of issues have sprung from what would have seemed to the casual observer to be altogether unimportant transactions or events. I remember a word from Sir Archibald Alison, which may not be out of place in this connection: "A fit of passion," he says, "in Mrs. Masham arrested the course of Marlborough's victory and preserved the tottering kingdom of France; a charge of a few squadron of horse under Kellermann, at Marengo, fixed Napoleon on the Consular throne, and another, with no greater force, against the flank of the old guard at Waterloo, chained him to the rock of St. Helena." I learn from the pages of Motley that the chance divulging of the secret policy of King Philip the Second, of Spain, gave birth to the patriotism of William of Orange, and the spirit which sustained the Dutch through eighty years of conflict. The American Republic grew out of the determination of a few Pilgrims to maintain their rights of worship; and the greatness and glory of the Christian church had its rise in the Master of Galilee and his twelve humble disciples.

I presume that that meeting of six Masonic Brethren fifty years ago was unnoticed by the community about

them, but from the vantage point of this present day we can see that it was marvellously significant. The people at large had little sympathy, if indeed they had any knowledge of what was being done. The lambskin was not then as now a badge of supremest honor, and that little coterie of brave and devoted souls could not realize the grandeur of the temple that would one day be erected upon the foundation which then they laid, for the opposition to their efforts was deep and influential. It is a study calculated to increase our courage and fidelity in this more enlightened age to review the account of their struggles and their persistence in the face of the obstacles which confronted them.

On the 26th of October, 1843, it was reported to the members of our Fraternity present at a meeting held that day, that King Solomon's Lodge, of Charlestown, had given consent to the establishment of a Lodge in Chelsea, and that a Dispensation for that purpose had been granted. Accordingly an election was held and the first regular officers of Star of Bethlehem were installed. With devout acknowledgment of our obligation to these worthy men, and a solemn vow to keep ever green their memory, I recall for you their names: Horace G. Barrus, Worshipful Master; William Knapp, Senior Warden; David Granger, Junior Warden; John Bridge, Treasurer; Anthony Blackett, Secretary; David W. Smith, Senior Deacon; Rufus R. Cook, Junior Deacon; William S. Merriam and Nathan Brown, Stewards; and Abel Bowen, Tyler. All these, if I am rightly informed, have since been raised to the sublime glory of the Celestial Lodge above; but

their work shall continue to bless the world till time shall be no more. They labored valiantly and well, and they have entered into their reward. Ages shall not dim the lustre of their deeds, and generations of Masons yet unborn shall rise up and call them blessed. Their successors, so long as this Lodge shall endure, shall on each of its great anniversaries pay to them appropriate and merited tribute of fraternal regard, for their steadfastness is something worthy of the emulation of all true and faithful Masons.

Slow was their growth, and yet some among them never wavered. Friends rose up in sister Lodges and gave their gifts of paraphernalia. Generous-hearted souls assisted them in providing a suitable Temple for their meetings. They participated in ceremonies which will always have a place in American history; and when the booming of cannon at Fort Sumter roused the North to the freeing of the slave and the preservation of the Union, they went forth in goodly number to don their suits of blue and fight the battles of the Rebellion. When sweet Peace once again spread her white wings over our land, they exchanged the music of strife for that better music which guided them to the consecration of our Masonic building in Boston; and when on the 31st of March, 1874, the combined Fraternity of our city united in the dedication of this Temple in which we now meet, Star of Bethlehem participated in the ceremonies and rejoiced in the end accomplished.

It were surely a profitable use of the time allotted me, should I employ it all in reminiscences like these which are

so full of inspiration; and it were a pleasant task as well to paint the picture of the stalwart and honored men who have in turn presided over your deliberations.

Many a form I doubt not passes in fancy before your eyes as you sit within this presence, and your minds travel backward along the years. It were easy to imagine that the alarm hath been given; that the warder hath answered; and that once again Brothers Knapp, and Lothrop, and Cheever, and Shillaber, and a host of others, loved of yore, have taken their seats among us; and if there were need of a Marshal to escort them to the East, such might be appropriately found in him who for a quarter of a century has faithfully served this Lodge in official capacity, and who, with each passing year, has strengthened the tie of respect and love by which he is bound to us all, our worthy Brother Frederick L. Cutting.

But I must not permit myself too long to linger with the days gone by, for I have the conviction that what *has been* is *most profitable to us*, as it is applied in helpfulness to the needs of to-day and the promise which makes us eager for to-morrow. Fifty years this Lodge hath exercised its beneficent influence in this community! Fifty years it has striven, together with all the other means which God has appointed for such end, to transform the rough ashler of human life into that perfect product which it was meant to be! Fifty years it has done its part in the ennobling of our race! Fifty years it has gathered about its altar upright and manly men cemented together by brotherly love and affection! Fifty years it has bound its members to aid, support and protect each



other! Fifty years it has inculcated temperance, fortitude, prudence, and justice! Fifty years it has consecrated those who sought its shrine, to the following of that wisdom which shall beget the strength and beauty of character! Fifty years it has guided by the rounds of faith, hope, and charity to that starry decked heaven where the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides!

You who are enrolled within its ranks have reason to exult in the record which you preserve in your archives; and in that grander record which is inscribed upon the hearts of those who have been blessed by its ministrations. Part of that wondrous Institution whose beginning no man can avail to discover, whose roots lie hidden in the most distant past, but whose fruitage rejoices the hearts of all who love the good and the true, you may not be ashamed of your lineage and you may point with pride to what you have been enabled to accomplish. An earnest student of Freemasonry, I mark this Lodge as a representative of a mighty body of men who through the ages have helped to broaden the thought and deepen the sympathies of humanity, and who, though sometimes cast down, have yet in all the years contributed to the establishment of the kingdom of righteousness.

Here within our sacred borders hand grasps hand in friendship, and like those who gathered about the board of Arthur the king, we share our social joys. Here *tolerance* holds its seat and power, and meeting upon the level we part upon the square. Here liberty and equality are our watchwords and each may confide in those about him, and find help and encouragement in the midst of

misfortune and sorrow. Here faith in all that is high and holy is abundantly encouraged and we are taught to pray. Here the Holy Bible is opened before us and we are admonished to make it the rule and guide of life. Here by square and compasses we are warned to govern our actions and keep our passions within due bounds. Here we learn that when the embers of mortality are feebly glimmering in the socket of existence we need not mourn as those who have no hope, but our eyes are directed in confidence to the opening scenes of eternity. Here symbols and ritual are evoked to call forth all that is best within us, and build us up into the stature of the perfect.

Who can measure the influence which has radiated from such an organization during the time since it began its course? Who can tell how much it has been to those who have been privileged to share its fellowship and participate in its beneficent work? Who can tell the greater good it has accomplished in ways that cannot be numbered, but that are seen only by the eye of the Omniscient? It is a glorious heritage, my Brothers of this Masonic Fraternity, which has fallen to your lot, and heartily I congratulate you upon the prosperity which has waited upon your efforts, and the respect and position which you command to-day!

Growing with the growth of this our city, you are no longer subject to the scorn and derision which were visited upon those early pioneers, who so long ago planted in this community that standard about which you rally to-night. The better known, the better loved, you are free to-day to work your work of brotherly regard and to

further your noble purposes. The future before you is arched with the shining bow of wondrous promise. Always the good God will need your help in His efforts to develop humanity, and to make clear the paths in which His children are to tread. Standing this little moment with you upon the threshold of your second half century, I pledge for you the memory of your founders and of all those along your course who have helped to make you what you are.

Rejoicing with you in the gladness of this your anniversary, I bid you God speed upon your way, pointing you to that bright orb whose name you bear, and bidding you each, as members of this grand Fraternity, to withhold not your endeavor until this Star of Bethlehem shall have led you to the Christ and made you faithful disciples of the Lord of lords and King of kings.

The Acting Grand Master addressed the assembly as follows :

I have listened with delight, Worshipful Master and Brethren, to the portrayal of your history by the reverend Brother, the charm of whose eloquence yet lingers in our ears. He has taught us by his words and inspired us by his zeal. A vain and idle repetition would it be for me to try to follow with unequal steps in the path on which he has trod so acceptably and well.

Fifty years, though they seem only a day when from the end we look back to the beginning, are enough for

the working of great and important changes. In fifty years the map of Europe has been made anew. The ancient kingdom of Poland has lost its place upon it. Their traditional enemy, the Hungarians, have re-appeared and become an equal part of a new empire. The petty states of Germany have come together, and seized upon the chief leadership in the affairs of the old world. Across the Rhine, France has been a kingdom, a republic, an empire, and now again a republic, with shorn strength and diminished territory. On this side of the Atlantic, fifty years have seen the provinces to the north of us become the Dominion of Canada, and our own country take in Texas, (big enough in itself for an independent nation), and stretch across the table-lands of the far West, called by Daniel Webster the worthless wastes where no man can live, though now crossed and re-crossed by iron highways; on which is heard the ceaseless roar of moving traffic, even to the golden mountains of California, and the deep waters of the Pacific ocean; and yet once more so far toward the sinking sun that the brightness of his rising already illumines the forests of Maine ere yet the crimson glory of his setting has been lost on the ice-girt islands of Alaska.

In fifty years the first cable has been laid beneath the sea from Dover to Calais, beneath the Atlantic, again and again, from Ireland and France to Newfoundland, Canada, and the United States, and beneath the classic water of the Mediterranean, the historic Red sea, and the warm waves of the Indian and Pacific oceans to remote Australia and New Zealand. In fifty years elec-

tricity has become our obedient servant, not only in the air and under the water, but by it we may talk a thousand miles as though face to face, and put away for future ages not only the words we speak, but also the very tone of voice we use. The mysterious current furnishes us also with light and power and heat, and how much more it will do for us is beyond the highest flight of fancy.

The changes in the public standing of our Fraternity are not less great and important. Fifty years ago it was just beginning to struggle up into light from the dark valley of depression into which it had been thrown by the great wave of passion and prejudice which swept over the land in the time of the anti-Masonic excitement. In the beginning of the history of our country as a nation, Freemasonry held a most prominent place. George Washington and most of his generals were of our Brethren, as also were many of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Very much of the inspiration of the early patriots of this vicinity was kindled at the altars of our Lodges, and the names of Dr. Joseph Warren and of Paul Revere are held in reverence and honor, not only by our countrymen as eminent citizens, but also in our Fraternity as distinguished Masons. Only a half century went by when the change in public opinion was so great that it drove De Witt Clinton from the governor's chair of the State of New York, and contributed to the defeat of John Quincy Adams as President of the United States. Many of our Lodges surrendered their Charters; and when our Brethren did come

together, it was in private houses, and at the peril of their social standing, and even of their property and persons. While many fell by the wayside, a loyal host yet remained true, holding the principles and virtues of our Craft, until at last the people began to recognize and admit their error, and Lodges once more came into life. About the time of your own Charter, there were eight others granted; of which number, however, yours alone survives until the present.

It is something, Brethren, to belong to a Fraternity which in its ceremonies and symbols is closely allied to the mysteries, philosophies, and religions of the past. As we in our three degrees are searching ever for more and more light, so do we find that in the history of man he has been ever struggling upward, and yearning for light. This is the explanation of the ruins we find of tall towers and lofty temples upon the plains of Chaldea, where men in the most remote ages studied the motions of the stars, in order that they might look into the blue expanse of the heavens and discover the Creator who had given to them their being, and established the laws of their orbits.

There is in India a rock sculpture of Buddha, with the figure in an attitude familiar to Masons. Upon the obelisks, some of which yet stand on the eastern banks of the river Nile, as types of the morning sun, are engraved symbols very like those which we make use of in our Lodges. There came together at stated periods, upon the sacred plains of Elis, in Greece, the appointed priests and others, who gave to initiates, after examination

and proper qualification, the degrees which represented, even as ours do, the constant dawn of life after the blackness of night, and the immortality of the soul springing from the death and decay of its earthly house. From Greece, or it may be from the yet older mysteries of Egypt, these rites, with some changes, were introduced into the beautiful city of Pompeii in southern Italy, and the ashes which belched forth from Vesuvius at the great eruption, in the early part of the Christian era, buried from sight for eighteen hundred years a temple, wherein the tourist now may find three pillars—in the East, West, and South—of the same orders of architecture as those in this Hall.

Sometimes, Brethren, we have watched a ship go out from our harbor, and our eyes followed the receding sails until they were lost beyond the curve of the horizon. The darkness of night has settled upon the deep, the storm has arisen in its wrath, the fierce winds howl through the sails, and the great waves break-upon the decks; but in the glad light of the morning the ship has held on in her course, safe and unharmed. So it is with our Fraternity. Some of the timbers are old, the waves of passion and prejudice have beat upon them, and the tempest of ignorance and calumny has driven her as if to the very verge of wreck and ruin; but she sails on to-night stanch and strong, with all canvas spread to the favoring breeze, and at the mastheads her proud banners with those time-honored mottoes: Faith, Hope, and Charity, but the greatest of these is Charity.

These interesting exercises were interspersed with delightful singing by the Keystone Quartet.

At half-past nine o'clock P.M., the Grand Officers withdrew to the place of opening, and the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM.

The company then repaired to the Banquet Hall, where a bountiful supper had been prepared. After all appetites were satisfied, brief remarks were made by the Recording Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal, and several Past Masters of the Lodge. At eleven o'clock this delightful anniversary was closed with the best wishes of all present for another half-century of prosperity for Star of Bethlehem Lodge.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Serenus D. Nickerson,*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*



## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT PALMER.

DECEMBER 5, A.L. 5893.

## DEDICATION OF MASONIC HALL.

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
 WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT  
 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COM-  
 MONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in  
 the town of Palmer, on Tuesday, the fifth day  
 of December, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893, for the  
 purpose of dedicating the new Masonic Hall  
 of Thomas Lodge.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD . . . as Grand Master.  
 " HENRY G. FAY . . . as Deputy Grand Master.  
 " WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . . as Senior Grand Warden.  
 " CHARLES HARRIS . . . as Junior Grand Warden.  
 " SERENO D. NICKERSON . . . Recording Grand Secretary.  
 " DAVID T. REMINGTON . . . D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 13.  
 " LOVELL L. GAGE . . . " " " " 17.  
 W. REV. SAMUEL S. SEARING . as Grand Chaplain.  
 " CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . . Grand Marshal.  
 " GIFFORD H. G. MCGREW . . Grand Lecturer.  
 Bro. JOHN H. CHESTER . . . Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FORM  
 in one of the ante-rooms adjoining the new  
 Hall, at thirty-five minutes after two o'clock P.M.

A procession of the Grand Officers was formed by the Grand Marshal, and escorted to the Lodge-room by a committee of Past Masters, of which R.W. George Robinson was chairman. The Acting Grand Master was cordially welcomed by the W. Master of Thomas Lodge, W. Charles T. Brainard, who resigned the Oriental Chair to His Worship, and the other Grand Officers assumed their respective stations. The ceremonies then proceeded in the usual form, and the Acting Grand Master solemnly dedicated the Hall to Freemasonry, to Virtue, and to Universal Benevolence, in accordance with ancient usage and the ritual of this Grand Lodge; and the Grand Marshal made proclamation accordingly.

The officers of Thomas Lodge were then duly installed, as follows: The W. Master by the Acting Grand Master, the Senior Warden by the Senior Grand Warden, the Junior Warden by the Junior Grand Warden, the Grand Treasurer by the Grand Lecturer, the Secretary by the Recording Grand Secretary, and the other officers by the Deputy Grand Master.

The following-named Brethren were thus installed:

CHARLES T. BRAINARD . . . . .	Worshipful Master.
GEORGE H. WILKINS . . . . .	Senior Warden.
CHARLES E. FISH . . . . .	Junior Warden.
WALTER E. STONE . . . . .	Treasurer.
FRANK N. CARPENTER . . . . .	Secretary.
REV. HERBERT F. MOULTON . . . . .	Chaplain.
JAMES B. SHAW . . . . .	Marshal.
WILLIAM H. BRAINARD . . . . .	Senior Deacon.
HORACE R. PAINE . . . . .	Junior Deacon.
JOHN P. EASTMAN . . . . .	Senior Steward.
EDWIN P. BALL . . . . .	Junior Steward.
SILAS W. SHUMWAY . . . . .	Tyler.

At the conclusion of each of the two ceremonies of dedication and installation, the Acting Grand Master delivered an appropriate charge to the Brethren.

At four o'clock P.M., the Grand Officers withdrew to the place of opening, and the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM.

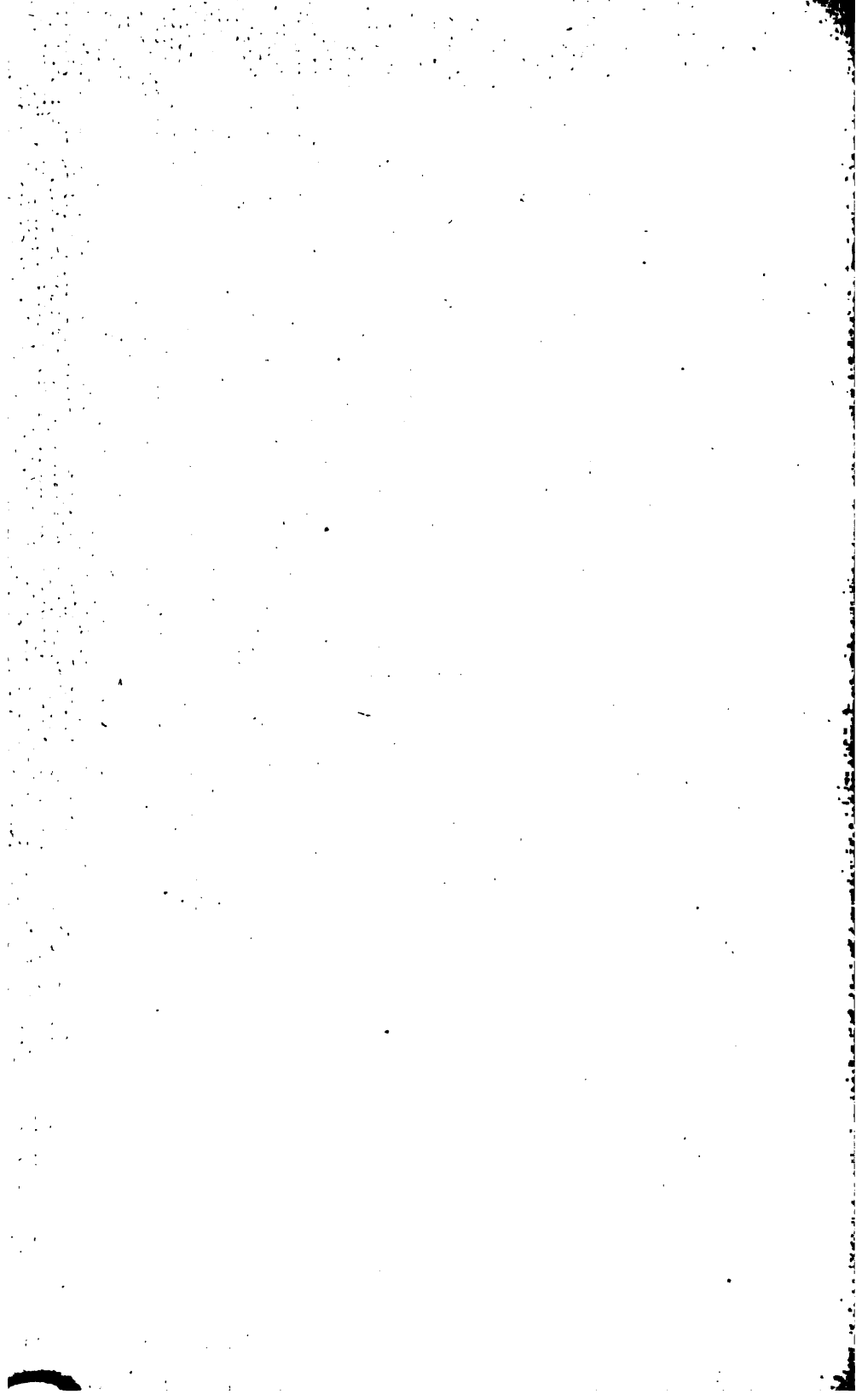
The company then repaired to the Memorial Building where a pleasant hour was passed in partaking of a bountiful collation, and in social intercourse with the Brethren of Thomas Lodge and their visitors.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno D. Nickerson,*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*



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# Abstract of Proceedings

OF THE

## GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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### QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

DECEMBER 13, A.L. 5893.

A QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at the Masonic Temple, in the city of Boston, on Wednesday, the thirteenth day of December, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893.

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R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD	as Grand Master.
" JAMES TAYLOR	Senior Grand Warden.
" HENRY G. JORDAN	Junior Grand Warden.
" JOHN CARR	Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON	Recording Grand Secretary.
" S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE	Corresponding Grand Sec'y.
" EDWIN B. HOLMES	Of Board of Directors.
" CHARLES C. HUTCHINSON	" " " "

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“ HERBERT H. SAWYER . . . .	“ “ “ “ 5.
“ THOMAS M. DURELL . . . .	“ “ “ “ 6.
“ WILLIAM F. CHESTER . . . .	“ “ “ “ 7.
“ GREEN DAVIS . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 9.
“ EDWARD A. FITTS . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 10.
“ FRANK L. WEAVER . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 11.
“ GEORGE H. FOYE . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 12.
“ DAVID T. REMINGTON . . . .	“ “ “ “ 13.
“ FRED E. WHITE . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 14.
“ JOHN E. BRONSON . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 16.
“ LOVELL L. GAGE . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 17.
“ FREDERIC W. SOUTHWICK . .	“ “ “ “ 18.
“ LESTER H. CUDWORTH . . .	“ “ “ “ 19.
“ JOHN H. BALCOM . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 20.
“ FRANCIS D. DUNBAR . . . .	“ “ “ “ 22.
“ EDWARD R. PRICE . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 23.
“ HERBERT I. MITCHELL . . .	“ “ “ “ 24.
“ CHARLES T. BURR . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 25.
“ JOHN HUXTABLE . . . . .	“ “ “ “ 27.
“ OLIVER H. LINNELL . . . .	“ “ “ “ 28.
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“ REV. JOHN CUCKSON, }	
“ CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . . .	Grand Marshal.
“ GIFFORD H. G. MCGREW . .	Grand Lecturer.
“ CHARLES W. PARMENTER . .	Senior Grand Deacon.
“ HENRY S. ROWE . . . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
“ CLARKE P. HARDING . . . .	Senior Grand Steward.
“ J. ALFRED MESSINGER, }	Junior Grand Stewards.
“ CLARENCE O. WALKER, }	
“ RICHARD W. SUTTON . . . .	Grand Sword-Bearer.
“ Z. L. BICKNELL . . . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
“ HENRY D. DUPEE, }	Grand Pursuivants.
“ CHARLES W. DAME, }	
Bro. HOWARD M. DOW . . . .	Grand Organist.
“ JOHN H. CHESTER . . . . .	Grand Tyler.

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" PERCIVAL L. EVERETT . . . .	"	"	"	"
" CHARLES A. WELCH . . . .	"	"	"	"
" SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE . . . .	"	"	"	"
" HENRY ENDICOTT . . . .	"	"	"	"
" SAMUEL WELLS . . . .	"	"	"	"
" REV. LUCIUS R. PAIGE, D.D.	Past Deputy Grand Master.			
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" RICHARD M. FIELD . . . .	"	"	"	"
" BENJAMIN A. GOULD . . . .	"	"	"	"
" FRANK T. DWINELL . . . .	"	"	"	"
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" DANIEL W. LAWRENCE . . . .	"	"	"	"
" WILLIAM H. CHESSMAN . . . .	"	"	"	"
" SOLON W. STEVENS . . . .	"	"	"	"
" WILLIAM BABSON . . . .	"	"	"	"
" CHARLES M. AVERY . . . .	"	"	"	"
" CHARLES H. MCCLELLAN . . . .	"	"	"	"
" WM. T. R. MARVIN . . . .	"	"	"	"
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" JAMES M. GLEASON . . . .	"	"	"	"
" ANDREW C. STONE . . . .	"	"	"	"
" CHARLES H. NORRIS . . . .	"	"	"	"
" HIRAM O. SMITH . . . .	"	"	"	"
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" E. WATERS BURR . . . .	"	"	"	"
" CHARLES G. REED . . . .	"	"	"	"
" IRVING B. SAYLES . . . .	"	"	"	"
" HENRY G. FAY . . . .	"	"	"	"
" OTIS E. WELD . . . .	"	"	"	"
" CHARLES C. SPELLMAN . . . .	"	"	"	"
" THOMAS W. DAVIS . . . .	"	"	"	"
" WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . . .	"	"	"	"
" GEORGE W. STORER . . . .	"	"	"	"
" CHARLES HARRIS . . . .	"	"	"	"

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" GEORGE H. RHODES	. . .	" " "
" SAMUEL B. SPOONER	. . .	" " "
" J. ALBERT BLAKE	. . .	" " "
W. HENRY K. DUNTON	. . .	Of Auditing Committee.
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" CHARLES T. GALLAGHER	. . .	" " "

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	George T. Stevens	Junior Warden.
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	Marshall L. Perrin . .	Junior Warden.
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	Lorrin W. Ferdinand . .	Junior Warden.
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	Forrest E. Barker . .	Junior Warden.
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	George L. Maynard . .	Senior Warden.
	Arthur W. Vant . .	Junior Warden.
	Clifford A. Cook . .	Proxy.
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	William H. Needham . .	Junior Warden.
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	Charles Parsons . .	Proxy.
MOSAIC . . .	Charles H. Preston . .	Master.
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MOUNT CARMEL . .	Walter M. Lamkin . .	Master.
	Benj. F. Arrington . .	Senior Warden.
	Josiah P. Croscup . .	Junior Warden.
	Charles E. Chase . .	Proxy.
MOUNT HERMON . .	J. Gilman Waite . .	Master.
MOUNT HOLLIS . .	Joseph H. Morrill . .	Master.
	John H. Andrews . .	Senior Warden.
MOUNT HOPE . . .	Samuel Smith . .	Senior Warden.
	James E. McCreery . .	Proxy.

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	William B. Phipps . .	Senior Warden.
MOUNT MORIAH . .	Wm. H. Farnsworth .	Master.
	Ernest Crowson . .	Senior Warden.
	William L. Bartlett .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT OLIVET . .	Walter C. Wardwell .	Master.
	John S. Patton . . .	Senior Warden.
	Warren P. Dudley . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT TABOR . .	William H. Beeching .	Senior Warden.
	Charles R. Morse . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT TOM . . .	Eli W. Beach . . .	Senior Warden.
MOUNT VERNON . .	Edwin G. McInnes .	Master.
	Winslow B. Southworth	Senior Warden.
	William D. Serrat . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT ZION . . .	John L. Smith . . .	Junior Warden.
MCMFORD RIVER . .	Henry A. B. Peckham	Junior Warden.
MYSTIC . . . .	Percy A. Chambers .	Junior Warden.
NARRAGANSETT . .	Dwight E. Cone . .	Master.
	Charles E. Baker . .	Junior Warden.
NOQUOCHOKE . . .	James Allen, 2d . .	Master.
	Henry T. Allen . .	Junior Warden.
NORFOLK . . . .	Wm. C. Freeman . .	Master.
	Norman C. Munson .	Senior Warden.
NORFOLK UNION . .	Frank C. Granger . .	Senior Warden.
	Herbert F. French .	Junior Warden.
	Henry A. Belcher . .	Proxy.
NORTH STAR . . .	William J. Dix . .	Master.
	Wm. B. Pike . . .	Junior Warden.
OCCIDENTAL . . .	Charles E. Evans . .	Master.
OLD COLONY . . .	Charles H. Marble .	Master.
	George S. Marsh . .	Senior Warden.
OLIVE BRANCH . .	Aug. S. Winter . .	Master.
	Lyman S. Waters . .	Junior Warden.
ORANGE . . . .	Charles A. Towne . .	Master.
	Fred N. Johnson . .	Senior Warden.
	Herbert J. Powers .	Junior Warden.
ORIENT . . . .	James A. Hartshorn .	Master.
	Francis E. Everett .	Senior Warden.
	William E. Freese .	Junior Warden.

ORPHAN'S HOPE . . .	Herbert A. Newton . .	Master.
	William T. Rice . .	Senior Warden.
	William Humphrey . .	Proxy.
PALESTINE . . . .	Henry A. Knight . .	Senior Warden.
	Columbus Corey . .	Proxy.
PAUL DEAN . . . .	Louis C. Southard . .	Senior Warden.
	John H. Swain . . .	Proxy.
PAUL REVERE . . . .	Albion H. Howe . . .	Master.
	William H. Emerson . .	Senior Warden.
	Calvin R. Barrett . .	Junior Warden.
PEQUOSSETTE . . . .	Benj. W. Brown . . .	Master.
PHENICIAN . . . .	Fred A. Carr . . . .	Senior Warden.
PHOENIX , . . . .	Thomas Barstow . . .	Master.
	L. Vernon Briggs . .	Senior Warden.
PILGRIM . . . . .	Charles E. Hamer . . .	Master.
	Anthony F. Briar . . .	Senior Warden.
	William P. Nichols . .	Junior Warden.
	Henry T. Crosby . . .	Proxy.
PIONEER . . . . .	Walter T. Deane . . .	Master.
PLYMOUTH . . . . .	C. Fred. Howe . . . .	Junior Warden.
	Henry H. Litchfield . .	Proxy.
PROSPECT . . . . .	Harrison Dunham . . .	Master.
	Daniel Dewar . . . .	Junior Warden.
PURITAN . . . . .	Joseph D. Benson . . .	Master.
	George L. Paine . . . .	Junior Warden.
QUINSIGAMOND . . .	Isaac N. Duke . . . .	Master.
	Brigham M. Scott . . .	Senior Warden.
RABBONI . . . . .	Charles F. Kelly . . . .	Master.
	Fred. R. Charnock . . .	Junior Warden.
REPUBLICAN . . . .	Charles A. Wheeler . .	Senior Warden.
REVERE . . . . .	George E. Reed . . . .	Master.
	Charles H. Ramsay . . .	Senior Warden.
	Barnabas C. Higgins . .	Junior Warden.
RISING STAR . . . .	H. Augustus Monk . . .	Master.
	George F. Walker . . .	Proxy.
ROBERT LASH . . . .	Arthur B. Champlin . .	Master.
ROSWELL LEE . . . .	Benj. C. Harvey . . . .	Master.
RURAL . . . . .	Charles W. Hollis . . .	Master.
	Joseph L. Whiton . . .	Senior Warden.
	James M. Cutting . . .	Junior Warden.

SAGGAHEW . . . .	Harvey R. Eastman .	Master.
	Charles P. Sumner .	Senior Warden.
	Edwin W. Andrews .	Proxy.
SAINT ALBAN'S . . . .	Irving W. Lane . .	Senior Warden.
SAINT GEORGE . . . .	William H. Thayer .	Master.
	Charles B. Lawrence .	Junior Warden.
St. JOHN'S (Boston) .	William A. Carrie .	Senior Warden.
St. JOHN'S (Newb'yp't)	Charles W. Knowles .	Master.
St. MARK'S . . . .	David Foss . . . .	Master.
	Thomas T. Upton . .	Junior Warden.
St. MARTIN'S . . . .	Oliver E. Eldredge .	Master.
	James A. Crowell . .	Senior Warden.
St. MATTHEW'S . . .	James Anderson . .	Master.
	Winslow Goodwin . .	Senior Warden.
	Walter H. Coleman .	Junior Warden.
St. PAUL . . . . .	E. Dana Bancroft . .	Proxy.
St. PAUL'S . . . . .	Geo. F. W. Richmond .	Master.
	Alpheus Hill . . . .	Junior Warden.
SATUCKET . . . . .	Charles F. Mann . . .	Junior Warden.
SATUIT . . . . .	Charles R. Folsom . .	Master.
	John Whalen . . . .	Senior Warden.
	Nehemiah T. Merritt .	Proxy.
SILOAM . . . . .	Forrest R. Kingsbury .	Master.
	Geo. G. Genthner . .	Junior Warden.
	Frank W. Bullard . .	Proxy.
SIMON W. ROBINSON .	George W. Sampson . .	Master.
SOCIAL HARMONY . .	Robert T. Delano . .	Master.
	Benjamin Waters . . .	Senior Warden.
SOLEY . . . . .	J. Walter Sanborn . .	Master.
	Wm. H. Woodberry . .	Senior Warden.
	Albion H. Libbey . . .	Junior Warden.
SOLOMON'S TEMPLE .	Daniel W. Taft . . . .	Proxy.
STAR . . . . .	John E. French . . . .	Master.
	George W. Bishop . .	Proxy.
STAR IN THE EAST .	Bartholomew Otheman .	Master.
	Peleg H. S. W. Allen .	Senior Warden.
	John L. G. Mason . . .	Junior Warden.
STAR OF BETHLEHEM	Henry Spavin . . . .	Master.
	T. Henry Mayo . . . .	Senior Warden.
	Charles J. Foye . . . .	Junior Warden.

STARR KING . . .	Joseph Darling . .	Master.
	Robert L. Almy . .	Senior Warden.
TEMPLE . . . . .	Frank H. Parker . .	Master.
	Wm. P. Treet . . .	Senior Warden.
	Joshua A. Story . .	Junior Warden.
THOMAS . . . . .	Charles T. Brainard .	Master.
THOMAS TALBOT . . .	Arthur W. Holden . .	Junior Warden.
TRINITY . . . . .	Leonard H. Parker .	Master.
	Geo. B. Dinsmore . .	Senior Warden.
TYRIAN . . . . .	Joseph H. Rowe . . .	Master.
UNION (Dorchester) .	Arthur H. Littlefield .	Master.
	Caleb D. Dunham . .	Senior Warden.
	Harry G. Howe . . .	Junior Warden.
WARREN . . . . .	Elmer E. Sanborn . .	Junior Warden.
WASHINGTON . . . .	Albert E. Carr . . .	Master.
	Herbert F. Morse . .	Senior Warden.
WEBSTER . . . . .	Elias P. Morton . . .	Proxy.
WILDER . . . . .	Daniel W. Martin . .	Master.
	Harry L. Pierce . . .	Junior Warden.
WILLIAM NORTH . . .	Harry K. Boardman . .	Master.
WILLIAM PARKMAN . .	John H. Winchenbach .	Master.
	Charles A. Lane . . .	Senior Warden.
	Bolling G. Abercrombie	Junior Warden.
WILLIAM SUTTON . . .	Fred C. Newhall . . .	Master.
	Wm. E. Houghton . .	Senior Warden.
	Henry J. Mills . . .	Proxy.
WINTHROP . . . . .	Sidney H. Griffin . .	Master.
	George F. Payne . . .	Senior Warden.
WINSLOW LEWIS . . .	Daniel J. Strain . . .	Master.
WYOMING . . . . .	Elisha B. Sears . . .	Master.
	Oscar F. Frost . . .	Senior Warden.
	Frank E. Orcutt . . .	Junior Warden.
	Sidney H. Buttrick . .	Proxy.
ZETLAND . . . . .	Frank W. Wise . . .	Master.
	Horace A. Wallingford	Senior Warden.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FORM,  
at two o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by  
W. Rev. John Cuckson, Grand Chaplain.

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the Records of the following-named Communications: Quarterly, at Boston, September 13; Special, at Springfield, October 24; Special, at Chelsea, November 15; Special, at Palmer, December 5.

#### PROXIES RECOGNIZED.

Proxies from the following-named Lodges were presented, and, being found in form, the Brethren designated were duly recognized:

AMITY LODGE, Danvers, in favor of W. Bro. Dudley A. Massey.

ARTISAN LODGE, Winchendon, in favor of W. Bro. John G. Folsom.

BAALBEC LODGE, East Boston, in favor of W. Bro. William G. Smith.

CONSTELLATION LODGE, Dedham, in favor of W. Bro. David L. Hodges.

CONVERSE LODGE, Malden, in favor of W. Bro. Frederic J. Foss.

GATE OF THE TEMPLE LODGE, South Boston, in favor of W. Bro. Charles H. Kimball.

GRANITE LODGE, Northbridge, in favor of Bro. Cyrus F. Baker.

HAYDEN LODGE, Brookfield, in favor of W. Bro. George H. Coolidge.

HENRY PRICE LODGE, Charlestown, in favor of W. Bro. Charles S. Robertson.

JOHN T. HEARD LODGE, Ipswich, in favor of W. Bro. John S. Glover.

JOHN WARREN LODGE, Hopkinton, in favor of Bro. John C. Stone.

MONTGOMERY LODGE, Milford, in favor of W. Bro. Clifford A. Cook.

PHILANTHROPIC LODGE, Marblehead, in favor of W. Bro. Stephen W. Power.

PILGRIM LODGE, Harwich, in favor of W. Bro. Henry T. Crosby.

QUINEBAUG LODGE, Southbridge, in favor of W. Bro. Samuel S. Silva.

SOLOMON'S TEMPLE LODGE, Uxbridge, in favor of W. Bro. Daniel W. Taft.

STAR LODGE, Athol, in favor of W. Bro. George W. Bishop.

The Acting Grand Master read the following

ANNUAL ADDRESS:

BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE: From the memoranda left by our beloved Grand Master, M.W. Richard Briggs, I find that he made the following

VISITATIONS:

January 17, 1893. He attended a meeting of the Masters' Association, in Taunton, accompanied by our Senior Grand Warden and Recording Grand Secretary. W. Bro. Charles A. Reed read a paper on the anti-Masonic excitement, and brief Addresses were made by the Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden and Recording Grand Secretary, after which dinner was served in one of the ante-rooms of the Masonic Hall.

March 13. He attended the Centennial of Morning Star Lodge, of Worcester, accompanied by the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bros. Frank T. Dwinell, Sereno D. Nickerson and Frederic W. Southwick, and by W. Bro. Henry S. Rowe. About three hundred and seventy-five Brethren were present. Bro. E. S. Nason delivered an



Historical Address; and a banquet was served in Horticultural Hall, followed by Addresses by the Grand Officers.

March 16. He visited the Lodge of Eleusis, and witnessed the conferring of the third degree upon Rev. Bro. E. A. Horton.

March 22. He visited Henry Price Lodge, in Charlestown. The work of the third degree was done in an excellent manner, all the chairs being filled by Past Masters of the Lodge. About four hundred Brethren were present.

April 6. He visited Amicable Lodge, in Cambridge, accompanied by several of the Grand Officers, and witnessed the exemplification of the work of the third degree.

He attended the following Special Communications of this M.W. Grand Lodge:

April 5. In Roxbury, for the purpose of dedicating the new Hall of Washington and Lafayette Lodges.

June 28. In Milton, for the purpose of constituting Macedonian Lodge and installing its officers. On this occasion W. Bro. Charles Breck, a Past Master of Rural Lodge, of Quincy, and of Union Lodge, of Dorchester, born Jan. 11, 1798, and initiated in Rural Lodge, of Quincy, in December, 1828, was present and was made an honorary member of the new Lodge. Three weeks later the Grand Master and other Grand Officers attended the funeral of this venerable Brother. Services at the grave were conducted by Union Lodge.

Grand Master Briggs issued the following

WARRANTS :

March 23. To R.W. David T. Remington, D.D.G.M., District No. 13, to hold an exemplification in Northampton. Executed April 27.

March 23. To R.W. Fred E. White, D.D.G.M., District, No. 14, to hold an exemplification in North Adams. Executed April 17.

March 24. To R.W. John E. Bronson, D.D.G.M., District No. 16, to hold an exemplification in Springfield. Executed April 19.

March 24. To R.W. George H. Foye, D.D.G.M., District No. 12, to hold an exemplification in Fitchburg. Executed April 25.

March 24. To R.W. Frank Vose, D.D.G.M., District No. 2, to hold an exemplification in Boston. Executed May 5.

April 11. To R.W. Charles T. Burr, D.D.G.M., District No. 25, to heal Henry Joseph Corthell. Executed April 26.

At the Grand Master's request, and as his representative, I attended the public installation of the officers of Beth-horon Lodge, in Brookline, on the 10th day of January last; and also the most impressive and interesting services of the Lodge of Sorrow by the Officers and Brethren of Baalbec Lodge, in their Hall in East Boston, on January 30.

February 7. A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in Winthrop, to dedicate the spacious and

beautiful Hall of Winthrop Lodge; and, on account of the illness of our Grand Master, he deputed me to act in his place.

On the 29th day of July last, there came suddenly to us the death of our beloved Grand Master; and his term of office, begun so auspiciously and with such unanimity but a few months before, and so full of promise for the good of our Fraternity, was cut short, and, on the first day of the following month, a Special Communication of this Body was held in Masonic Temple, in Boston, to attend his funeral. The services were in the church of Rev. Edward Everett Hale, the Masonic portion being conducted by R.W. James Taylor, our Senior Grand Warden, assisted by W. Rev. John Cuckson, our Grand Chaplain. For the first time, Brethren, in our history, since the re-organization of this Grand Lodge, has a Grand Master been taken away during his term of office.

I have made the following

#### VISITATIONS :

September 11. North Star, of Ashland, William J. Dix, W.M., as the guest of R.W. John H. Balcom, Deputy of the 20th District, on the occasion of his official visit.

September 12. Winthrop, of Winthrop, Lewis A. Wallon, W.M., as the guest of W. Charles G. Bird, Acting Deputy of the 3d District, on the occasion of his official visit.

September 18. Star in the East, of New Bedford, Bartholomew Otheman, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Frederick A. Bradford, Deputy of the 26th District; on the occasion of his official visit.

September 26. Henry Price, of Charlestown, Isaac N. Peirce, W.M., as the guest of W. Joseph H. Gleason, Acting Deputy of the 3d District, on the occasion of his official visit.

October 3. Baalbec, of East Boston, William G. Smith, W.M., as the guest of R.W. John Stalker, Deputy of the 3d District, on the occasion of his official visit.

October 4. Joseph Webb, of Boston, John H. Woodman, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Frank Vose, Deputy of the 2d District, on the occasion of his official visit.

October 20. Orphan's Hope, of Weymouth, Herbert A. Newton, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Charles T. Burr, Deputy of the 25th District, on the occasion of his official visit.

October 23. Germania, of Boston, Marcus Tishler, W.M., as the guest of R.W. E. Bentley Young, Deputy of the 1st District, on the occasion of his official visit.

October 31. Bristol, of North Attleboro', Owen B. Bes-tor, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Edward R. Price, Deputy of the 23d District, on the occasion of his official visit.

November 2. Amicable, of Cambridge, Alpheus B. Alger, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Frank Vose, Deputy of the 2d District, on the occasion of his official visit.

November 6. Webster, of Webster, George A. Black-man, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Lester H. Cudworth, Deputy of the 19th District, on the occasion of his official visit.

November 7. Bethesda, of Brighton, Hammond B. Hazel-wood, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Herbert H. Sawyer,

Deputy of the 5th District, on the occasion of his official visit.

November 8. Warren, of Amesbury, Emmons H. Babb, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Green Davis, Deputy of the 9th District, on the occasion of his official visit.

November 13. Alpha, of South Framingham, Alfred E. Martin, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Lewis M. Palmer, Deputy of the 21st District, on the occasion of his official visit.

November 14. William Parkman, of Winchester, John H. Winchenbach, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Thomas M. Durell, Deputy of the 6th District, on the occasion of his official visit.

November 16. Hyde Park, of Hyde Park, Asa J. Adams, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Francis D. Dunbar, Deputy of the 22d District, on the occasion of his official visit.

November 21. Paul Revere, of Brockton, Albion H. Howe, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Herbert I. Mitchell, Deputy of the 24th District, on the occasion of his official visit.

November 28. Kilwinning, of Lowell, Frank K. Stearns, W.M., as the guest of R.W. Frank L. Weaver, Deputy of the 11th District, on the occasion of his official visit.

I also installed the Worshipful Masters and Officers of the Lodge of St. Andrew, and of Aberdour Lodge, and enjoyed the privilege of listening to the installation, by our Grand Lecturer, W. Gifford H. G. McGrew, of the Worshipful Masters and Officers of Fellowship Lodge, in Bridgewater, and of Rural Lodge, in Quincy.

I am glad to report to you the excellent condition of the Lodges of the Commonwealth, and the continued gain of our Fraternity in membership and in influence. The Charters are well preserved, and guarded carefully, and, inasmuch as many of these venerable documents are a century old, our predecessors must have been as watchful as we are and ought to be. The Records, with very few exceptions, are kept admirably, and it is evident that our Brethren realize the importance of the Secretary's work as the only annals of our Masonic life. The exemplification of our ritual grows in interest and impressiveness every year. It is getting to be more and more uniform, and now is altogether free from anything which can in the least seem to the candidate other than dignified instruction. Another excellent custom, which is getting to be more generally observed, is the examination in open Lodge of a candidate upon the lecture of one degree before receiving the next. In this way our Brethren learn what otherwise they would never come to know, except such few as shall be called to official positions. Too much cannot be said in commendation of the Masters, Wardens, and Officers of the Lodges, who so willingly devote their evenings to rehearsals, and give their time and best services, so that our work might reach its present high standard. The use of appropriate music also is equally a worthy custom, and adds much to the interest and impressiveness of the services. The industry, faithfulness and loyalty of the Deputies are worthy of the highest praise, as, at much sacrifice of time and strength, they have gone to the Lodges in their Districts, and have given to

them the benefit of their watchful care and wise counsel. Our Grand Lecturer, W. Bro. McGrew, has been untiring in his duties, and the cordial receptions given to him, and the kind words spoken of him in every part of our jurisdiction, attest the appreciation of his Brethren. In several of the Districts the Officers of the Lodges have come together under the superintendence of the Deputy, and the work has been exemplified under the eye of the Grand Lecturer. These visits and coming together of the Brethren of different Lodges are of the very greatest value, not only in the increase of interest to the members of any one Lodge, but also because they come to realize that we all are members of a greater Body, co-extensive with the Commonwealth.

#### SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

October 24. A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in Springfield, to dedicate the new Hall of Hampden and Roswell Lee Lodges. There was a large gathering of our Brethren from the several Lodges in the vicinity, and also of Knights Templars, with the Officers of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and a public procession, which was witnessed by thousands of people upon the sidewalks and in the streets, the buildings being gayly and handsomely decorated, and the city itself given over to a holiday. The building erected by our Brethren is beautiful and spacious, furnishing them a most comfortable home, and reflects the very highest credit and honor both upon them and our Fraternity.

November 15. A Special Communication of the Grand

Lodge was held in Chelsea, to participate in the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Star of Bethlehem Lodge. A Historical Address was delivered by Rev. Bro. R. Perry Bush.

December 5. With the assistance of the Grand Officers, I dedicated a new Masonic Hall in Palmer, for the use of Thomas Lodge, and installed its Officers. The members of this venerable Lodge are to be commended for their zeal in providing so beautiful and permanent a home, and doubtless will reap an abundant reward in a new life for themselves, and honor to the Craft.

The Grand Lecturer presents the following statement of his services during the past year:

IN GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS,

BOSTON, Dec. 13, 1893.

HARVEY N. SHEPARD, Esq., *Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts*:

DEAR SIR AND MOST WORSHIPPFUL BROTHER: I beg leave to present the following report of my services as Grand Lecturer during the past year:

I have attended Exemplifications of the Work and Lectures in the Second, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth and Nineteenth Districts,—at two different places in the Nineteenth; and have made ninety-one visits to Lodges; besides being present at all the Regular Communications of the Grand Lodge.

I have also been present as instructor at twenty-three meetings of the Lodge of Instruction, which meets in the Temple.

On the 2d, 3d, and 4th of May last, by invitation of M.W. Josiah H. Drummond, I had the pleasure of visiting the Grand Lodge of Maine; and was the recipient of marked attention and courtesies at the hands of the Brethren of that Grand Lodge.



When not engaged in visiting Lodges, I have, as formerly, been at the Temple daily, where I have given instruction in the Ritual to many of the Brethren. I have devoted all time, not otherwise accounted for, to rendering such assistance to the Recording Grand Secretary as he has required of me.

My expenses have been as follows:

Cash paid for railroad tickets . . . . .	\$131 58
Value of tickets on hand at beginning of year . . . . .	97 43
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Total . . . . .	\$229 01
Deduct value of tickets now on hand . . . . .	85 64
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Net amount of travelling expenses . . . . .	\$143 37

Fraternally submitted,

GIFFORD HORACE GREELEY MCGREW,  
*Grand Lecturer.*

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

The subject of the introduction of the necessary plant to furnish electricity for the Temple, received early in the year the attention of the Directors, and, after proper consideration, it was decided to continue to receive our supply from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, they making a discount of thirty per cent. from their usual rate.

The attention of the Board was called to the regalia of the Grand Officers, some of which had been in service for twenty years, and none for less than ten years. After procuring estimates from several parties, a contract was made with Brother Seranus Bowen, and, under his direction, the collars were repaired, the jewels regilded, and new aprons furnished, at a cost of \$793.50.

Columbian Lodge was authorized, at its own expense, to enlarge its Sodality Room, No. 30, in this building, by adding the two small rooms adjoining it, which had been used for storage; and the rent of the apartment so enlarged was fixed at double the former rate, viz., \$250 a year.

New carpets have been put down in the ante-rooms of Sutton Hall.

The amount collected from Lodges

For annual dues and initiates is . . . . .	\$11,650 00
Last year it was . . . . .	11,687 23
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Decrease . . . . .	<u>\$37 23</u>
The travelling expenses of the Deputies are . . . . .	\$973 77
Last year they were . . . . .	868 51
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Increase . . . . .	<u>\$105 26</u>

The Deputies of the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, and 5th Districts, R.W. Bros. Young, Vose, Stalker, Chandler, and Sawyer, have declined to render any bills for expenses.

The rents received are:

From Masonic Bodies . . . . .	\$13,772 17
Business tenants . . . . .	12,500 00
For steam-heat . . . . .	445 00
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Total . . . . .	\$26,717 17
Last year . . . . .	26,899 83
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Decrease . . . . .	<u>\$182 66</u>

The rents are all collected, except \$204 from one Masonic Body.

The assessed valuation of the Temple is . . . . .	\$561,000 00
Last year it was . . . . .	542,000 00
Increase . . . . .	<u>\$19,000 00</u>

The amount of the taxes is . . . . .	\$7,180 80
Last year it was . . . . .	6,991 80
Increase . . . . .	<u>\$189 00</u>

Of the insurance, \$21,500 were renewed this year; the total amount, however, remaining unchanged, viz. :

On building . . . . .	\$165,000 00
On paintings . . . . .	4,000 00
On library . . . . .	7,000 00
On furniture and fixtures . . . . .	26,813 00
On organ . . . . .	2,187 00
	<u>\$205,000 00</u>

The expenses of the Quarterly Meetings of the Deputies were :

December, 1892 . . . . .	\$49 17
March, 1893 . . . . .	41 67
June, 1893 . . . . .	46 83
September, 1893 . . . . .	46 83
Total . . . . .	<u>\$184 50</u>
Last year they were . . . . .	175 32
Increase . . . . .	<u>\$9 18</u>

The receipts and expenditures of the Grand Lodge are as follows :

## RECEIPTS:

Rents . . . . .	\$26,272 17
Paid by tenants for steam-heat . . . . .	445 00
Paid by tenants for water . . . . .	40 00
Annual dues from Lodges, and fees from initiates . . . . .	11,650 00
Macedonian Lodge, under Dispensation, for initiates . . . . .	115 00
Annual dues from China . . . . .	55 00
Back dues from James Otis Lodge . . . . .	16 00
Sale of old safe . . . . .	25 00
Capitation tax . . . . .	48 00
Charter . . . . .	50 00
Tickets sold for Feast of St. John . . . . .	522 00
Healing . . . . .	15 00
Interest . . . . .	135 68
Balance from last year . . . . .	10,569 97
Total . . . . .	<u>\$49,958 82</u>

## EXPENDITURES:

Taxes . . . . .	\$7,180 80
Insurance . . . . .	721 37
Lighting . . . . .	997 50
Coal . . . . .	865 43
Supplies for superintendent and engineer . . . . .	108 07
Telephone service . . . . .	120 00
Cleaning Temple . . . . .	845 82
Water bills and sprinkling street . . . . .	212 85
Ice . . . . .	30 00
Repairs in Temple . . . . .	399 02
Furniture and carpets . . . . .	558 03
Salary of Recording Grand Secretary . . . . .	2,500 00
Salary of Grand Lecturer . . . . .	2,000 00
Salary of Grand Treasurer . . . . .	500 00
Salary of Superintendent . . . . .	1,200 00
Salary of Engineer . . . . .	999 96
Assistance for Grand Secretary's office . . . . .	1,200 00
Watchman and elevator service . . . . .	730 00
Carried forward . . . . .	<u>\$21,168 85</u>

<i>Brought forward</i> . . . . .	\$21,168 85
Care of coat-room . . . . .	433 32
Printing . . . . .	1,635 10
Funeral expenses . . . . .	99 93
Binding . . . . .	197 96
Music . . . . .	46 00
Stationery and postage in Grand Treasurer's office . .	31 20
Expenses of Grand Officers . . . . .	103 22
Regalia and repairs . . . . .	810 75
Travelling expenses of Deputies . . . . .	973 77
Quarterly Meetings of Deputies . . . . .	184 50
Feast of St. John . . . . .	580 33
Masonic Relief Association . . . . .	121 74
Trustees of Masonic Education and Charity Trust . .	10,000 00
Mileage tickets for Grand Lecturer . . . . .	131 58
Charity . . . . .	922 35
Balance on hand . . . . .	12,518 22
Total . . . . .	<u>\$49,958 82</u>

There are 232 Lodges under our jurisdiction, five of which are in foreign countries.

The number of affiliated members was:

Aug. 31, 1893 . . . . .	33,936
Aug. 31, 1892 . . . . .	<u>32,685</u>
Increase . . . . .	<u>1,251</u>

The number of initiates for the year ending Aug. 31, 1893, was . . . . .	1,884
For 1892 it was . . . . .	<u>1,829</u>
Increase . . . . .	<u>55</u>

This increase of our membership is most gratifying, when we consider the period of business depression through which we are passing, and also that the choice of candidates has been prudent and careful, the many rejections

attesting the discrimination of our Brethren, and their wise purpose to preserve the reputation and good standing of our Fraternity.

The report of the Trustees of the Masonic Education and Charity Trust is as follows:

The amount of the Fund Dec. 14, 1892, was . . . \$65,246 50

The increase of the Fund the past year consists of the following items:

Jan. 5, 1893, cash from John Carr, Grand Treasurer . . . . .	\$10,000 00
The income of the Fund the past year . . . . .	3,930 09
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	\$13,930 09

From which deduct the following expenditures:

Premium paid for three bonds of the Maine Central R.R., purchased Feb. 11, 1893, at 139½	\$1,177 50
Accrued interest on same . . . . .	75 83
Premium paid for seven bonds of the city of Cambridge, Mass., March 3, 1893, at 104½	332 50
Accrued interest on same . . . . .	24 89
Premium paid for one bond of the city of Cambridge, Mass., June 15, 1893, at 104½	47 50
Accrued interest on same . . . . .	14 89
Cash paid for rent of safe to June 15, 1894 . . . . .	20 00
Premium paid for two bonds of the city of Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 8, 1893, at 104½	95 00
Accrued interest on same . . . . .	28 22
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	1,816 33

Leaving a net increase of . . . . . 12,113 76

The amount of the Fund, Dec. 13, 1893, is . . . . . \$77,360 26

The Charity Fund consists of the following property:

5 Certificates of Indebtedness of the Eastern Railroad Company, of \$1,000 each, 6%, Nos. 146-8, 1686 and 4852 . . . . .	\$5,000 00
50 Shares of the Vermont & Massachusetts Railroad Company, 6%, Certificate No. 16492 . . . . .	5,000 00
5 Mortgage Sinking-Fund Bonds of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, 4%, of \$1,000 each, Nos. 7617, 8294, 12801-2 and 13509 . . . . .	5,000 00
10 Bonds of the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, (Hospital) 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ %, of \$1,000 each, Nos. S 2-5, S 2-71-2, 178, 201-5 and 218, . . . . .	10,000 00
10 Bonds of the Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation, 4%, of \$1,000 each, Nos. 1730-1, 1802-6, 1861-2 and 1871 . . . . .	10,000 00
1 Improvement Bond of the Boston & Maine Railroad, 4%, (Registered), No. 184 . . . . .	5,000 00
1 City of Boston Public Park Construction Loan Bond, 4%, (Registered), No. 6095 . . . . .	5,000 00
5 Bonds of the Fitchburg Railroad Company, 5%, of \$1,000 each, Nos. 1619-20 and 1639-41 . . . . .	5,000 00
50 Shares of the Capital Stock of the Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation, 7%, Certificate No. 7438 . . . . .	5,000 00
10 Consolidated Mortgage Bonds of the Maine Central Railroad Company, 7%, of \$1,000 each, Nos. 661, 951, 968, B3581, C1390, 1395, 1493, 2668-9 and 2687 . . . . .	10,000 00
2 Bonds of the Concord & Montreal Railroad Company, 4%, of \$1,000 each, Nos. 2262-3 . . . . .	2,000 00
10 Water Loan Bonds of the City of Cambridge, Mass., 4%, of \$1,000 each, Nos. 915-24 . . . . .	10,000 00
Cash on deposit in the Third National Bank . . . . .	360 26
Total . . . . .	<u>\$77,360 26</u>

#### SIGOURNEY FUND.

The amount of the Sigourney Fund, Dec. 14, 1892, was . . . . .	\$6,000 00
The amount of the income on hand was . . . . .	287 15
Carried forward . . . . .	<u>\$6,287 15</u>

*Brought forward* . . . . . \$6,287 15

## RECEIPTS:

Jan. 21, 1893. Dividend of the Provident Institution for Savings in January, 1893 . . . . .	125 74
July 24. Dividend of the Provident Institution for Savings in July, 1893 . . . . .	128 24
Total . . . . .	<u>\$6,541 13</u>

The amount of the Sigourney Fund, Dec. 13, 1893, is . . . . .	\$6,000 00
The amount of the income on hand, Dec. 13, 1893, is . . . . .	541 13
	<u>\$6,541 13</u>

## ANTHONY S. JONES FUND.

The amount of the Anthony S. Jones Fund, Dec. 14, 1892, was . . . . .	\$100 00
The amount of the income was . . . . .	1 00
Total . . . . .	<u>\$101 00</u>

## RECEIPTS:

April 29, 1893. Dividend of the Home Savings Bank in April, 1893 . . . . .	2 02
Oct. 26. Dividend of the Home Savings Bank in October, 1893 . . . . .	2 06
Total . . . . .	<u>\$105 08</u>

The amount of the Anthony S. Jones Fund, Dec. 14, 1893, is . . . . .	\$100 00
The amount of the income on hand, Dec. 14, 1893, is . . . . .	5 08
	<u>\$105 08</u>

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE,  
*Treasurer.*



The Recording Grand Secretary has certified that the account of the Trustees has been examined under the supervision of the Directors, and found correct, and the securities called for deposited in a safe in the vaults of the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

And now, Brethren, as you are soon to proceed to the election of the Grand Officers, and as I have finished the account of the use I have made of the powers and authority which you have committed to me, you will permit me to thank you with all my heart for the uniform kindness and courtesy which I have received at your hands, for your steadfast support and cheering encouragement, and for the hospitality and warm welcome extended whenever it has been my privilege to visit you in your own Lodges. Realizing as I do how far short I have come of the high ideal which should be upheld for this office, nevertheless I can assure you that it has been my earnest desire to be fair and just on all occasions, to pay deference and respect to my elder Brethren, to avoid all offence, and nevertheless to shirk no duty.

#### REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

W. Arthur G. Pollard presented the following report, which was accepted and ordered to be spread upon the Records:

IN GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS, Dec. 13, 1893.

The Auditing Committee would respectfully report that they have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Treasurer and find the same to be correct and that all expenditures are sustained by proper vouchers.

The books of the Grand Treasurer show:

Balance as reported Dec. 14, 1892 . . . . .	\$10,569 97
Received from all sources . . . . .	39,388 85
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	\$49,958 82
Paid as per vouchers . . . . .	37,440 60
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Balance on hand . . . . .	<u>\$12,518 22</u>

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY K. DUNTON,

ARTHUR G. POLLARD,

*For the Auditing Committee.*

#### APPROPRIATION TO EDUCATION AND CHARITY TRUST.

R.W. Charles C. Dame presented the following vote of the Board of Directors:

MASONIC TEMPLE, BOSTON, Dec. 12, 1893.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held this day, it was unanimously voted:

That the Board recommend to the Grand Lodge, at its Quarterly Communication to be held on the 13th instant, to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars, (\$10,000), out of the surplus receipts of the past year, to be paid into the "Masonic Education and Charity Trust."

A true copy from the Records.

Attest:

SERENO D. NICKERSON,

*Clerk of the Board of Directors.*

Upon motion of Bro. Dame, it was there-upon unanimously

*Voted*, That the sum of ten thousand dollars be appropriated out of the surplus receipts of the past year, to the "Masonic Education and Charity Trust," and that the Grand Treasurer be instructed to pay over said sum to the Treasurer of said Trust.

#### PETITION FROM KING SOLOMON'S LODGE.

The Grand Marshal introduced a Committee from King Solomon's Lodge, consisting of Ernest C. Marshall, W. Master, Charles H. Tucker, Senior Warden, Charles O. Shute, Junior Warden, and Brothers Amos Stone, Franklin W. Hopkins, Frank Vose and Edwin D. Sibley.

Approaching the altar, the Committee respectfully saluted the Acting Grand Master, and W. Bro. Marshall, standing in their midst, thus addressed him :

**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER :** In accordance with our instructions, we appear before this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, as a Committee from King Solomon's Lodge, for the purpose of presenting its duty and its fealty, and to request your consideration of a matter important to the members of our Lodge, and of nearly equal moment, not

only to every Brother of this jurisdiction, but to every Mason of this country, and to every citizen of our beloved land. Sir, as you well know, upon the crown of Bunker Hill rises to the sky that massive shaft of granite, unadorned in simple majesty, mute, yet speaking to the four winds of Heaven of the loyalty, the honor, the devotion, and the character of those noble men who there laid down their lives, a sacred and majestic sacrifice, that this nation, with God's blessing, might be free. There, within the sweeping, circling shadow of that giant dial-style, as it marks the passing golden hours, or the sweep of Luna's silver orb across the sky, lie the ashes of those martyred patriots.

“ Gashed with honorable scars,  
Low in Glory's lap they lie.  
Though they fell, they fell like stars,  
Streaming splendor through the sky.”

Among these dead there lay one of the noblest and purest spirits ever offered in sacrifice to liberty; and one who, in the Orient of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge, which was a progenitor of this Grand Lodge, had received the honors due from the Fraternity and had been proclaimed from the East, the West and the South the regularly installed Grand Master of all the Masons of North America, making of this ground a place no less hallowed, no less sacred than the brow of Mt. Moriah that received the remains of our ancient Grand Master in temporary entombment. Unlike his remains, alas, no Sanctum Sanctorum received our venerated relics in honored burial; neither Nation or Fraternity had Westminster or Mausoleum in which to enshrine them in honor. But nearly one hundred years ago, our Lodge, now ancient,

with its years crowned with honor, then young and vigorous, full of the patriot-life that made this nation, resolved to erect in honor of so good a man and so excellent a Master, an enduring memorial to the name and fame of Joseph Warren; and on the second day of December, 1794, they dedicated with solemn, Masonic service a monument, a Tuscan pillar, bearing upon it Masonic emblems and an inscription stating in whose honor and by whom it was erected, with extracts from one of the orations of Grand Master Warren, delivered on the anniversary of the Boston Massacre. This ancient monument has passed away. Few relics of it still remain. But, sir, within the heart of that majestic granite shaft, within its Sanctum Sanctorum, dear to King Solomon's Lodge, one of its most precious jewels, the sacred care of its Master and Warden, stands a marble monument, model of the ancient one, placed there on Saint John's Day, in June, 1845, by our Lodge. Its dedication was made a grand Masonic event, probably never before surpassed in this country. The arrangements were made by a joint committee, consisting of representatives from this Grand Lodge and King Solomon's Lodge, and the Masonic importance of the occasion was attested by the presence on that day of the Grand Lodge; of Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Connecticut, the Grand Chapters and Grand Commanderies of several of the States, and nearly all the Blue Lodges of this jurisdiction. The near approach of the fiftieth anniversary of this event, and the Centennial of the erection of the ancient memorial, remind King Solomon's Lodge that it has a duty to perform in arranging for their proper commemoration; and

feeling that not to it alone belongs this important trust, we come before you, by the direction of our Lodge, to request of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge their participation in the arrangements for the fitting celebration, and we beg leave to present the following petition :

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons in Massachusetts, from King Solomon's Lodge,  
of Charlestown,*

GREETING: Whereas, on the seventeenth day of June, Anno Lucis 5775, our Honored Brother, Joseph Warren, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient Masons in North America, gave up his life in the defence of the rights of his countrymen at the battle of Bunker Hill; and whereas, on the second day of December, Anno Lucis 5794, King Solomon's Lodge erected a monument on the site of the battle-field, for a perpetuation to posterity of the memory of our honored Grand Master and of other patriots who fell on that day; and whereas, on the twenty-fourth day of June, Anno Lucis 5845, St. John's Day, the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, in connection with King Solomon's Lodge, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the erection of the monument herein referred to, and on that day dedicated with appropriate ceremonies the model monument now standing within the present Bunker Hill Monument; and whereas, the one hundredth anniversary of the erection of said original monument will occur on the second day of December, Anno Lucis 5894;

Now, therefore, King Solomon's Lodge most respectfully asks permission to celebrate said anniversary in whatever

way may to them and to this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge seem most fitting and appropriate; and your petitioners further represent that a committee has been appointed by said King Solomon's Lodge to present this petition and to determine the best time and manner for celebrating such anniversary, and would therefore most respectfully ask the coöperation of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge in providing for the celebration of this anniversary, and, to this end and for this purpose, request that a committee be appointed by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge to confer with the committee of King Solomon's Lodge in regard to this most important event.

Most respectfully and fraternally,

ERNEST C. MARSHALL, W.M.

CHAS. H. TUCKER, S.W.

- CHARLES O. SHUTE, J.W.

FREDERICK S. NELSON, Sec.

Of King Solomon's Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

This occasion is of importance to King Solomon's Lodge, because it is the celebration of the most important event in its existence; for to that Lodge belongs the honor of the first dedication of a monument in this country, to the memory of those who thought it better to die as freemen than to live as slaves, and because this monument testifies to the patriotism and loyalty of its Fathers. It is important to every Mason of this jurisdiction, because the memorial was erected to one who was their ancient and honored chief; to every Mason in this country, because this man was the appointed head of all the Ancient Masons of North America, and because, as from

Massachusetts, our grand old mother, have flowed so many beneficent and glorious streams of good for this nation, so from this Grand Lodge of Massachusetts has gone forth the benign and grand stream of Masonry over this country to enrich and beautify its social life; to every citizen of the Commonwealth, because as Chairman of the Committee of Safety, Joseph Warren was the first patriot governor of Massachusetts. There, upon the brow of that hill, died this man, Joseph Warren, Grand Master Warren and Governor Warren, thus uniting in himself the triple dignity and honor of Head of this Fraternity, Head of the State and Patriot dying for the Fatherland.

“— Even so

The charter of a nation must be sealed.”

Most Worshipful Grand Master, it would not be proper for me here to dilate upon the consequences to us of that battle, or of the acts of the members of the Craft of that day; it is enough to say that without them this Grand Lodge would be but a Provincial Grand Lodge, and our country a vassal and tributary to England's throne. We therefore deem the celebration of this event a most solemn duty, imposed upon us by every moral, Masonic and patriotic consideration. Surely if it be “Sweet and glorious to die for one's country,” it is essentially proper and fitting to perpetuate this devotion, this self-sacrifice. It is the observance of such events, and the reviviscence of the memory of such men, that stir within our hearts the deepest and grandest emotions, those noble feelings so essential to the continuance and prosperity of this nation and this Fraternity. What Mason's heart but will swell with pride, although it



be a sorrowful one, as he thinks of his Grand Master thus cut off in the midst of his usefulness? What citizen, whose pulses will not throb more proudly as, in his mind's eye, he sees "this first bloody ruffled shirt of the Revolution," dying with the words "My country" on his lips; and where-soever among men will there be found a mind so low and grovelling that will not be raised to higher, grander thought and aspiration, as he hears re-told the toil and travail, the defence and the devotion, the suffering and sacrifice of Bunker Hill, and has pictured to him in glowing words this manly man struck down in the first flush of manhood,

"Dying such a death as all might crave  
To find unending glory in a patriot's grave?"

We, therefore, sincerely hope that favorable action may be taken on our petition, so that the spirits of these immortal men, as they look down upon us from "that house not made with hands" may know that to not unworthy sons have their cherished liberties descended, and that we are not ungrateful for the magnificent heritage of which we are their heirs.

Upon the conclusion of W. Bro. Marshall's appeal, the Recording Grand Secretary addressed the Chair as follows :

**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER:** The Brethren have evidently listened with great interest and satisfaction to the admirable presentation of the modest request of this venerable and time-honored Lodge. The origin of that Lodge, just at the dawn of peace after the Revolutionary War and

almost before the ashes of Charlestown were cold; the noble history of its founders, patriotic and Masonic; the unbroken succession of its record, through good report and through evil report; the steadfast and almost romantic adherence to the ancient forms and to the truly Masonic practices of the fathers;—this history and these characteristic ways make any communication from King Solomon's Lodge interesting to the Craft. But when that Lodge comes before our united Grand Lodge, whose founders were also their founders, our common and equal pride and boast; and especially when they ask our aid and coöperation in celebrating the centennial of one of the grandest events in their history, an act of their Lodge in its infancy which sheds more and greater lustre upon its record as each decade rolls on, our hearts cannot fail to beat in sympathy with those of our petitioners, nor our tongues to respond to their appeal: So mote it be!

The battle of Bunker Hill, though a defeat for the patriot force, attended with the loss of many valuable lives and the destruction of a flourishing town, proved a blessing in disguise to the struggling colonies. It was glory enough for that day that raw recruits had been able to make any stand against the veterans of the king. With one accord the patriots were ready to cry,

“What though the field be lost?

All is not lost; th' unconquerable will,  
And study of revenge, immortal hate,  
And courage never to submit or yield.”

Of all the losses suffered on that well-fought field none was so deeply, so universally mourned as that of the brave,

ted young patriot and hero, Joseph Warren. About  
stered the warmest and the strongest affections of the  
and the oft-told tale of his short but busy life and  
death has thrown a halo of romance around the hal-  
ground where his body was first buried, and made it  
a to which turn the footsteps of travellers from for-  
ds as well as from all parts of our own country.  
ssings waiting on his sacrifice have proved almost  
t to the mother country as to her colonies, and to  
y few Englishmen come to America without visiting  
where Warren "trode the ways of glory."

"Such graves as his are pilgrim-shrines,  
Shrines to no code or creed confined."

al Warren was born in Roxbury, Mass., June 11,  
He graduated at Harvard College in 1759. During  
1760 he was employed as a teacher in a public  
n Roxbury, and in the following year commenced  
y of medicine under Dr. Lloyd, an eminent physi-  
that day. He began practice in 1763, and is said  
distinguished himself at once. In 1764, the small-  
ailed extensively in Boston, and he was very suc-  
n treating it. He thus gained the good will of the  
and he never lost it. He was initiated in Saint  
s Lodge, of Boston, on the 10th of September, 1761,  
ly twenty years and three months old, the regula-  
the Grand Lodge of Scotland allowing initiation at  
years of age. He was passed on the second of  
er following, but there is no record of his having  
de a Master Mason. It appears, however, that he  
nimosly "re-admitted a member" of that Lodge on

the 14th of November, 1765, and he was elected Master in 1769.

In December of the latter year, he received from the Grand Master of Scotland a commission as Grand Master of Masons in Boston, and within one hundred miles of the same. In 1773, by the same authority, his jurisdiction was extended over the "Continent of America." These commissions were laid before the Craft on the 27th of December of the respective years in which they were received, and under their authority was established the Massachusetts Grand Lodge, or Grand Lodge of Ancient Masons, as it was called in distinction from the Grand Lodge of Modern Masons, or Saint John's Grand Lodge, established in 1733. Grand Master Warren presided over all the forty meetings of this Grand Lodge, held previous to his death, except four.

When we consider his youth; the responsibilities and care of a young family devolved upon him as the surviving parent; the anxieties and labors of the large practice of a popular physician; the demands of an extensive correspondence, both at home and abroad, personal as well as political; his constant attendance upon the meetings of the Committee of Correspondence, the Committee of Safety, town meetings, the Sons of Liberty and other caucuses; his numerous newspaper articles and State papers;—when we consider all these cares and labors, we are filled with wonder at the energy and talent of the young hero, but we are at no loss to understand how it was that even in those troublous times Masonry flourished and prospered under his administration. Surely the Fraternity owe him a debt of gratitude. It was fitting and proper that King Solomon's Lodge should ere

ument to his memory, to perpetuate the remembrance amiable, distinguished and exemplary a character. Continental Congress, on the 8th of April, 1777, voted to erect a monument, but the promise never has been fulfilled.

This was reserved for King Solomon's Lodge, and on the 2d day of December, 1794, the duty was discharged, the ceremony of dedication being performed by the Grand Master, John Soley, Jr., who was Grand Master in

the corner-stone of the present Monument was laid with Masonic ceremonies, on the fiftieth anniversary of the battle of Bunker's Hill. Grand Master John Abbot, assisted by our illustrious Grand Master, Lafayette. The completion of the Monument was effected on the 17th of June, 1843, the Masonic portion of the procession being under the direction of King Solomon's Lodge. On that occasion, Past Grand Master Benjamin Russell, a soldier of the Revolution, wore the Masonic regalia of General Warren. On the 24th of June, 1845, King Solomon's Lodge, as has been stated, placed within the obelisk an exact model in marble of the original Monument. The public ceremonies being conducted by the Grand Master, and witnessed by a large assembly, including many distinguished Brethren from other jurisdictions. On the 1st of June, 1857, M.W. John T. Heard, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Officers and two thousand Brethren, inaugurated a statue of General Warren, erected on the battle-ground.

It will thus be seen that King Solomon's Lodge and the Grand Lodge have been intimately associated in most of the principal efforts to honor the memory of General Warren

and the other heroes of Bunker Hill. As Masons, we feel a special pride in his record, because during the years in which he served his country so zealously in various capacities, he was laboring diligently to promote the usefulness and honor of the Fraternity, and serving it most gracefully and acceptably in the capacity of Grand Master. His Brethren were the first to search for his remains, the first to erect a monument to his memory, and they will be the last to cherish the sweet remembrance of his virtues. The centennial which King Solomon's Lodge proposes to celebrate, and in which they invite our coöperation, will afford another opportunity to teach every Brother to revere the name and imitate the virtues of Warren.

In accordance with the petition of King Solomon's Lodge, I move, Most Worshipful, the adoption of the following resolution: *Voted*, That a committee of three be appointed to coöperate with the committee of King Solomon's Lodge in the consideration and preparation of such recommendations and plans as they may deem it expedient to submit to the Grand Lodge in regard to the joint celebration by the Grand Lodge and King Solomon's Lodge of the erection by that Lodge of the first monument to the memory of General Joseph Warren and the other heroes of Bunker Hill.

R.W. Frank Vose, District Deputy Grand Master of the Second Masonic District, seconded the motion of the Recording Grand Secretary, and supported it by a few spirited remarks. The resolution was then unanimously adopted.

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS.

hour assigned by the Grand Constitu-  
for the election of Grand Officers hav-  
rived, the Acting Grand Master called  
enior Grand Warden to the Chair, and  
ew from the Hall, escorted by the Grand  
al, the Grand Deacons and the Grand  
rds. The Brethren were then called from  
to refreshment.  
on resuming labor, the Recording Grand  
ary reported the number of votes which  
legally be cast as follows:

nd Officers present, entitled to	. . . . .	45	votes.
manent Members present, entitled to	. . . . .	43	"
ges represented, entitled to	. . . . .	549	"
Total	. . . . .	637	"

ELECTION OF GRAND MASTER.

ballots being cast for Grand Master,  
ommittee reported the whole number to  
8,—390 for R.W. Otis E. Weld, and  
or R.W. Harvey N. Shepard, and there  
o choice. A second ballot was taken,  
a similar result. R.W. Bro. Shepard then  
ew his name, and upon the third ballot  
Bro. Weld was elected by a nearly  
nous vote.

R.W. Bro. Shepard then resumed the chair, and appointed the Past Grand Masters present as a committee to wait upon the Grand Master elect, and conduct him to the East. The committee proceeded to discharge that duty at once and soon returned, accompanied by the Grand Master elect. The Acting Grand Master, in a few happy and appropriate words, announced to Bro. Weld his election as Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts for the ensuing year, and the latter made a fitting reply.

#### ELECTION CONTINUED.

The election of Grand Officers was resumed, and the following-named Brethren were duly chosen to the respective offices enumerated:

R.W. GEORGE W. BISHOP, of Athol, Senior Grand Warden.

“ CHARLES S. ROBERTSON, of Charlestown, Junior Grand Warden.

“ JOHN CARR, of Roxbury, Grand Treasurer.

“ SERENO D. NICKERSON, of Cambridge, Recording Grand Secretary.

“ CHARLES C. DAME, of Newburyport,

“ SAMUEL WELLS, of Boston,

“ EDWIN B. HOLMES, of Boston,

“ FRANK T. DWINELL, of Boston,

“ EDWARD R. PRICE, of N. Attleboro',

W. DANIEL J. POORE, of Merrimac,

“ JOHN M. RAYMOND, of Salem,

} Directors for two  
years.

} Auditing Committee.

R.W. HENRY A. BELCHER, of Randolph, Trustee of the Masonic Education and Charity Trust, for eight years from Jan. 1, 1894.



## RESIGNATION OF TRUSTEE.

Recording Grand Secretary presented following letter:

TAUNTON, MASS., Dec. 12, 1893.

VORSHIPFUL SERENO D. NICKERSON, *Recording Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts:*

BROTHER: I regret to say that I am compelled to resign my position as a member of the Masonic Education and Charity Trust. My engagements are such as to prevent my giving the proper attention to the duties of my office. It so happens that, on the very day and at the place at which the meetings of the Trustees are held, I have a business meeting which I cannot neglect. I happen to be one of those unfortunate men who has permitted himself to be loaded upon his shoulders until the burden has become greater than he can bear.

I hope that my resignation may be accepted, and that some more worthy member may be appointed in my place.

I have the honor to remain,

Fraternally yours,

WM. C. LOVERING.

His resignation was accepted, and the Grand Lodge proceeded to fill the vacancy; whereupon R.W. Bro. George H. Rhodes, of Taunton, was unanimously elected to serve as a Trustee of the Masonic Education and Charity

Trust during the unexpired portion of W. Bro. Lovering's term, namely, for two years from Jan. 1, 1894.

AMENDMENT TO GRAND CONSTITUTIONS PROPOSED.

R.W. Warren B. Ellis presented the following Amendment to the Grand Constitutions: Amend Part V., Section 13—Miscellaneous Regulations—so that the first paragraph shall read as follows: "No Brother, excepting members of Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge located in foreign countries, shall be a member of more than one Lodge." The remainder of the Section to remain unchanged.

Brother Ellis explained that the purpose of the Amendment was to enable members of our Lodges in Chile and China to retain their membership in Lodges in this country, to join Lodges under other Constitutions in Chile and China—such as the English, Scotch, Irish, or German; in short, to permit members of our Lodges in those two countries to exercise any or all of these privileges at the same time at their pleasure. In support of the proposition Bro. Ellis cited the practice of the Grand Lodge of England, under which Brethren were

ed to hold membership in any number of  
es at home or abroad, without limit.  
e Amendment was referred to R.W. Brother  
es Harris, and Wor. Brothers Asa J.  
as and George W. Sampson ; and its con-  
tion was deferred until the next Quarterly  
unication of the Grand Lodge.

#### APPROPRIATION FOR CHARITY.

on motion of R.W. Bro. Thorndike, it was  
*resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars  
appropriated for the use of the Committee  
Charity, to be disbursed under the super-  
n of the Board of Directors.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS AND CHARTERS.

W. Henry G. Fay, on behalf of the com-  
e, presented the following report, which  
accepted:

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, Dec. 13, 1893.

Committee on By-Laws and Charters have examined  
approved, without change, amendments to the By-  
of Germania Lodge, of Boston ; Winslow Lewis Lodge,  
ston ; Alpha Lodge, of South Framingham ; and Dal-  
Lodge, of Newtonville ; and have approved, with  
ary changes, amendments to the By-Laws of Corner-

stone Lodge, of Duxbury; and Columbian Lodge, of Boston.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ENDICOTT,

FRANK T. DWINELL,

HENRY G. FAY,

*Committee on By-Laws and Charters.*

AMENDMENT TO GRAND CONSTITUTIONS PROPOSED.

W. Bro. E. Dana Bancroft presented the following Amendment to the Grand Constitutions:

Amend the first paragraph of Section 5 of Article I., Part IV., by inserting, after the word "Communications," the following words: "except to attend the funeral of a Master Mason." The clause will then read as follows: nor shall any Lodge hold Communications, except to attend the funeral of a Master Mason, unless authorized by the Grand Master, in any place other than the one designated in their Charter, under the penalty of a forfeiture thereof.

CLOSING.

No further business being presented, prayer was offered by W. Rev. Charles A. Skinner,

and Chaplain, and the Grand Lodge was  
ed in DUE FORM, at thirty minutes after  
o'clock, P.M.

true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno L. Nickerson*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

## STATED COMMUNICATION.

DECEMBER 27, A.L. 5893.

A STATED COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
 WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT  
 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COM-  
 MONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at  
 the Masonic Temple, in the city of Boston, on  
 Wednesday, the twenty-seventh day of Decem-  
 ber, A.L. 5893, A.D. 1893, for the purpose of  
 installing the Grand Officers and celebrating  
 the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. HARVEY N. SHEPARD . . .	as	Grand Master.	
" JAMES TAYLOR . . . . .		Senior Grand Warden.	
" HENRY G. JORDAN . . . . .		Junior Grand Warden.	
" JOHN CARR . . . . .		Grand Treasurer.	
" SERENO D. NICKERSON . . . .		Recording Grand Secretary.	
" S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . . .		Corresponding Grand Sec'y.	
" CHARLES C. HUTCHINSON . . .		Of Board of Directors.	
" EDWIN B. HOLMES . . . . .	"	"	"
" E. BENTLEY YOUNG . . . . .	D.D.G. Master,	Dist. No.	1.
" JOHN STALKER . . . . .	"	"	3.
" HENRY B. CHANDLER . . . . .	"	"	4.
" THOMAS M. DURELL . . . . .	"	"	6.
" FRANK L. WEAVER . . . . .	"	"	11.
" GEORGE H. FOYE . . . . .	"	"	12.
" DAVID T. REMINGTON . . . .	"	"	13.
" LOVELL L. GAGE . . . . .	"	"	17.
" JOHN H. BALCOM . . . . .	"	"	20.

HERBERT I. MITCHELL . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 24.
CHARLES T. BURR . . .	" " " " 25.
JOHN HUXTABLE . . .	" " " " 27.
EV. CHARLES A. SKINNER, } " JOHN CUCKSON, }	Grand Chaplains.
CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . .	Grand Marshal.
IFFORD H. G. MCGREW . .	Grand Lecturer.
HENRY S. ROWE . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
ALFRED MESSINGER, } LARENCE O. WALKER, }	Junior Grand Stewards.
L. L. BICKNELL . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
CHARLES W. DAME . . .	Grand Pursuivant.
HOWARD M. DOW . . .	Grand Organist.
JOHN H. CHESTER . . .	Grand Tyler.

## PERMANENT MEMBERS PRESENT:

CHARLES C. DAME . . .	Past Grand Master.
HERCIVAL L. EVERETT . . .	" " "
CHARLES A. WELCH . . .	" " "
HENRY ENDICOTT . . .	" " "
AMUEL WELLS . . .	" " "
CHARLES LEVI WOODBURY . .	Past Deputy Grand Master.
FREDERICK D. ELY . . .	" " " "
BENJAMIN A. GOULD . . .	" " " "
FRANK T. DWINELL . . .	" " " "
DANIEL W. LAWRENCE . . .	Past Grand Warden.
WILLIAM H. CHESSMAN . . .	" " "
CHARLES M. AVERY . . .	" " "
JAMES M. GLEASON . . .	" " "
ANDREW C. STONE . . .	" " "
CHARLES H. NORRIS . . .	" " "
WATERS BURR . . .	" " "
EDWARD AVERY . . .	" " "
HENRY G. FAY . . .	" " "
IS E. WELD . . .	" " "
CHARLES C. SPELLMAN . . .	" " "
THOMAS W. DAVIS . . .	" " "
WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . .	" " "
GEORGE W. STORER . . .	" " "



R.W. CHARLES HARRIS . . . . .	Past Grand Warden.
“ DANA J. FLANDERS . . . . .	“ “ “
“ J. ALBERT BLAKE . . . . .	“ “ “
W. CHARLES T. GALLAGHER . . . . .	Commissioner of Trials.
“ LAFAYETTE G. BLAIR . . . . .	“ “ “
“ ALBERT L. HARWOOD . . . . .	“ “ “

Many Lodges were also represented by their Masters and Wardens, and, after the opening ceremonies, many other Master Masons availed themselves of the privilege of admission.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FORM, at fifteen minutes after four o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Rev. John Cuckson, Grand Chaplain.

The Acting Grand Master stated the purpose of this Communication to be the installation of the Grand Officers and the celebration of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist; and he accordingly proceeded to the discharge of the first-named duty by the

#### INSTALLATION OF THE GRAND MASTER ELECT.

The six Past Grand Masters present were appointed as a committee to wait upon R.W. Bro. Otis E. Weld and escort him to the East for installation. They attended to that duty forthwith. The installing prayer was offered by



Rev. Charles A. Skinner, Grand Chaplain.

Bro. Shepard then proceeded with the installation in accordance with ancient usage of the ritual of this Grand Lodge.

The ceremony being concluded, a procession was formed by the Grand Marshal and the Grand Master was saluted in due and proper form, after which the Grand Marshal proclaimed M.W. Otis E. Weld Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.

#### INSTALLATION OF ELECTED GRAND OFFICERS.

M.W. Grand Master installed the following named elected Grand Officers:

GEORGE W. BISHOP . . . .	Senior Grand Warden.
CHARLES S. ROBERTSON . . . .	Junior Grand Warden.
JOHN CARR . . . . .	Grand Treasurer.
HERNO D. NICKERSON . . . .	Recording Grand Secretary.

Grand Wardens were duly proclaimed by Grand Marshal to have been installed in proper form.

M.W. Grand Master announced the fol-

#### APPOINTMENTS:

WIN B. HOLMES, Boston,	Deputy Grand Master.
LOTHROP THORNDIKE, Cambridge,	Cor. Grand Secretary.
BENTLEY YOUNG, Boston, D.D.G.	Master, District No. 1.
GENE C. UPTON, Boston, D.D.G.	Master, District No. 2.

- R.W. JOSEPH H. GLEASON, Woburn, D.D.G. Master, District No. 3.  
 " HENRY B. CHANDLER, So. Boston, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 4.  
 " LEWIS M. CRANE, Brookline, D.D.G. Master, District No. 5.  
 " THOMAS M. DURELL, Somerville, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 6.  
 " JOSIAH F. KIMBALL, Lynn, D.D.G. Master, District No. 7.  
 " CHAUNCEY S. RICHARDS, Danversport, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 8.  
 " ISAAC A. S. STEELE, Gloucester, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 9.  
 " CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD, Lawrence, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 10.  
 " FRANK L. WEAVER, Lowell, D.D.G. Master, District No. 11.  
 " SIDNEY P. SMITH, Athol, D.D.G. Master, District No. 12.  
 " DAVID T. REMINGTON, Northampton, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 13.  
 " FRED. E. WHITE, North Adams, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 14.  
 " JOHN P. MERRILL, Pittsfield, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 15.  
 " EDWARD P. CHAPIN, Springfield, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 16.  
 " LOVELL L. GAGE, Warren, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 17.  
 " CHARLES A. PEABODY, Worcester, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 18.  
 " LESTER H. CUDWORTH, Oxford, D.D.G.M., District No. 19.  
 " JOHN H. BALCOM, Ashland, D.D.G. Master, District No. 20.  
 " GEORGE A. STACY, Marlboro', D.D.G. Master, District No. 21.  
 " ALBERT E. BRADLEY, Hyde Park, D.D.G.M., District No. 22.  
 " SOLON R. WRIGHT, Taunton, D.D.G. Master, District No. 23.  
 " HERBERT I. MITCHELL, Brockton, D.D.G.M., District No. 24.  
 " AMOS A. LAWRENCE, Cohasset, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 25.  
 " JAMES E. MCCREERY, Fall River, D.D.G.M., District No. 26.  
 " JOHN HUXTABLE, Wareham, D.D.G.M., District No. 27.  
 " OLIVER H. LINNELL, Wellfleet, D.D.G.M., District No. 28.  
 " PETER EWING, Santiago, D.D. Grand Master for Chile.  
 " DEWITT C. JANSEN, Shanghai, D.D. Grand Master for China.  
 W. REV. JOHN CUCKSON, Boston, } Grand Chaplains.  
 " " EDWARD A. HORTON, Boston, }  
 " CHARLES E. PHIPPS, Boston, Grand Marshal.  
 " FRANK W. KAN, Somerville, } Grand Lecturers.  
 " CHAUNCEY E. PECK, Wilbraham, }  
 " CHARLES T. GALLAGHER, South Boston, Senior Grand Deacon.  
 " HENRY S. ROWE, Boston, Junior Grand Deacon.  
 " ALBERT L. HARWOOD, Newton, Senior Grand Steward.  
 " J. ALFRED MESSINGER, Taunton, }  
 " CHARLES T. BURR, Hingham, } Junior Grand Stewards.  
 " CHARLES W. DAME, Newburyport, }  
 " WALTER F. LANSIL, Boston, Grand Sword-Bearer.

BICKNELL, East Weymouth, Grand Standard-Bearer.  
 RY SPAVIN, Revere, } Grand Pursuivants.  
 C. DODGE, Beverly, }  
 ARD M. DOW, North Weymouth, Grand Organist.  
 H. CHESTER, Boston, Grand Tyler.

COMMISSIONERS OF TRIALS:

R.W. CHARLES A. WELCH, *President*.  
 REW C. STONE. W. CHARLES T. GALLAGHER.  
 OTHROP THORNDIKE. W. ALBERT L. HARWOOD.

COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY:

ENO D. NICKERSON. . R.W. BENJAMIN A. GOULD.  
 R.W. SOLON W. STEVENS.

COMMITTEE ON CHARITY:

CHARLES A. WELCH. R.W. SERENO D. NICKERSON.  
 Bro. JOHN H. CHESTER.

COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS AND CHARTERS:

RY ENDICOTT. R.W. FRANK T. DWINELL.  
 R.W. HENRY G. FAY.

COMMITTEE ON CURIOSITIES OF THE CRAFT:

EN B. ELLIS. W. HENRY S. ROWE.  
 ELL B. LAWRENCE. W. THOMAS F. TEMPLE.  
 W. CHARLES WOODBERRY.

CERS INSTALLED BY THE GRAND MASTER.

following-named Brethren were installed  
 respective offices in AMPLE FORM:

IN B. HOLMES . . . .	Deputy Grand Master.	
ENTLEY YOUNG . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No.	1.
NE C. UPTON . . . .	" " " "	2.
RY B. CHANDLER . . . .	" " " "	4.
S M. CRANE . . . .	" " " "	5.
AS M. DURELL . . . .	" " " "	6.
H F. KIMBALL . . . .	" " " "	7.

R.W. CHAUNCEY S. RICHARDS . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 8.	8.
" ISAAC A. S. STEELE . . .	" " " " "	9.
" CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD . . .	" " " " "	10.
" FRANK L. WEAVER . . .	" " " " "	11.
" SIDNEY P. SMITH . . .	" " " " "	12.
" DAVID T. REMINGTON . . .	" " " " "	13.
" JOHN P. MERRILL . . .	" " " " "	15.
" EDWARD P. CHAPIN . . .	" " " " "	16.
" LOVELL L. GAGE . . .	" " " " "	17.
" CHARLES A. PEABODY . . .	" " " " "	18.
" LESTER H. CUDWORTH . . .	" " " " "	19.
" JOHN H. BALCOM . . .	" " " " "	20.
" GEORGE A. STACY . . .	" " " " "	21.
" ALBERT E. BRADLEY . . .	" " " " "	22.
" SOLON R. WRIGHT . . .	" " " " "	23.
" HERBERT I. MITCHELL . . .	" " " " "	24.
" AMOS A. LAWRENCE . . .	" " " " "	25.
" JAMES E. MCCREERY . . .	" " " " "	26.
" JOHN HUXTABLE . . .	" " " " "	27.
" OLIVER H. LINNELL . . .	" " " " "	28.

#### OFFICERS INSTALLED BY DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

By request of the Grand Master, the following-named Brethren were installed in their respective offices by R.W. Edwin B. Holmes, Deputy Grand Master :

R.W. S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . . .	Cor. Grand Secretary.
W. REV. JOHN CUCKSON, }	Grand Chaplains.
" " EDWARD A. HORTON, }	
" CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . .	Grand Marshal.
" FRANK W. KAAH . . .	Grand Lecturer.
" CHARLES T. GALLAGHER . . .	Senior Grand Deacon.
" HENRY S. ROWE . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
" ALBERT L. HARWOOD . . .	Senior Grand Steward.
" J. ALFRED MESSINGER, }	Junior Grand Stewards.
" CHARLES T. BURR, }	
" CHARLES W. DAME, }	

TER F. LANSIL . . . . .	Grand Sword-Bearer.
L. BICKNELL . . . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
RY SPAVIN, } . . . . .	Grand Pursuivants.
D C. DODGE, }	
RD M. DOW . . . . .	Grand Organist.
H. CHESTER . . . . .	Grand Tyler.

the conclusion of the installation ceremony the usual proclamation was made by the Grand Marshal.

Nickerson presented the following :

#### REPORT OF RECORDING GRAND SECRETARY.

IN GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS,

Boston, Dec. 27, 1893.

Recording Grand Secretary respectfully submits his report as follows :

Printed Proceedings of the various Grand Lodges in Massachusetts and America with which this Grand Lodge is in correspondence have been duly received and are now in our Library.

Books have been issued from the office of the Recording Grand Secretary during the past year as follows :

	Master Masons.	Past Masters.
1 . . . . .	87	5
2 . . . . .	85	3
3 . . . . .	198	0
4 . . . . .	143	7
5 . . . . .	73	4
6 . . . . .	133	5
7 . . . . .	125	5
<hr/> Total forward . . . . .	<hr/> 844	<hr/> 29

		Master Masons.	Post Masters.
<i>Brought forward</i>	. . . . .	844	29
District No. 8	. . . . .	85	6
“ No. 9	. . . . .	58	5
“ No. 10	. . . . .	107	4
“ No. 11	. . . . .	60	6
“ No. 12	. . . . .	99	3
“ No. 13	. . . . .	49	5
“ No. 14	. . . . .	27	2
“ No. 15	. . . . .	62	5
“ No. 16	. . . . .	142	7
“ No. 17	. . . . .	29	4
“ No. 18	. . . . .	61	6
“ No. 19	. . . . .	24	3
“ No. 20	. . . . .	56	6
“ No. 21	. . . . .	96	3
“ No. 22	. . . . .	57	2
“ No. 23	. . . . .	57	4
“ No. 24	. . . . .	75	4
“ No. 25	. . . . .	61	5
“ No. 26	. . . . .	87	3
“ No. 27	. . . . .	20	3
“ No. 28	. . . . .	28	4
China District	. . . . .	20	2
Chile “	. . . . .	30	10
Totals	. . . . .	2,234	131

The following-named twenty-seven Lodges do not appear to have been represented in Grand Lodge during the past year :

ACONCAGUA, Valparaiso.	HOWARD, South Yarmouth.
ADAMS, Wellfleet.	MARINE, Falmouth.
BELCHER, Chicopee Falls.	MT. HOLYOKE, So. Hadley Falls.
BETHESDA, Valparaiso.	NEWTON, Wilbraham.
BLACKSTONE RIVER, Blackstone.	ORIENTAL, Edgartown.
CALEB BUTLER, Ayer.	OXFORD, Oxford.
CHICOPEE, Chicopee.	PENTUCKET, Lowell.
CORNER-STONE, Duxbury.	PYTHAGOREAN, Marion.

G, Monson.	QUABOAG, Warren.
LINTON, Sandwich.	SAINT JAMES, Mansfield.
re.	TUSCAN, Lawrence.
nsdale.	UPTON, Cheshire.
ARITAN, Reading.	VERNON, Belchertown.
WISDOM, West Stockbridge.	

Following-named eight Lodges do not appear to have  
represented during the past two years:

A, Valparaiso.	HOWARD, South Yarmouth.
Chicopee Falls.	MARINE, Falmouth.
, Valparaiso.	NEWTON, Wilbraham.
G, Monson.	UPTON, Cheshire.

Following-named five Lodges do not appear to have  
represented during the past three years:

A, Valparaiso.	HOWARD, South Yarmouth.
, Valparaiso.	MARINE, Falmouth.
	UPTON, Cheshire.

Following-named four Lodges do not appear to have  
represented during the past four years:

A, Valparaiso.	MARINE, Falmouth.
South Yarmouth.	UPTON, Cheshire.

Lodge in the jurisdiction has been represented in  
Lodge, within the past five years, except Acon-  
f Valparaiso, which has not been represented for  
years.

Respectfully submitted,

SERENO D. NICKERSON,  
*Recording Grand Secretary.*

At six o'clock P.M., the Brethren were called from labor to refreshment. A procession was formed by the Grand Marshal and conducted to the Banquet Hall, where the Feast of St. John the Evangelist was celebrated after the manner of Masons.

At thirty minutes after nine o'clock, P.M., the Brethren were called from refreshment to labor again, and the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Serenus D. Nickerson*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*



## THE GRAND FEAST.

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MASTER WELD.—Brethren, we are  
here, as usual on this day, to cele-  
brate the Feast of St. John the Evangelist,  
and must ask every one to give me his atten-  
tion and silence for a few moments while we  
hear regular toasts. You will all rise and  
give the first toast: "To the memory of the  
Apostle St. John!"

Three remaining regular toasts were pro-  
posed by the Grand Master, and after they had  
been honored he said:

MASTER: I have but few words to say to you myself  
but those will be of cheer and welcome to this  
Feast. I find, on comparison of dates, that twenty-five  
years ago to-night, if I am correct, I first participated in  
the Feast of St. John the Evangelist and in this room.  
Did I think, at that time, when that prince of  
Masters, William Sewall Gardner, presided at the  
Feast, I should ever occupy his place, and preside, as  
I do, at the Feast of St. John.

It is a great honor to be elected Grand Master  
of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and I esteem it a great honor

to preside over such a royal set of Brother Masons as I have here to-night. I know that I can give them something else to interest them besides the good things set forth on the tables.

In the twenty-five years that I have attended these Feasts in this city, it has been my solemn duty to listen, at the commencement of the speech-making, to the remarks which were made by the Past Grand Masters, who were called up one by one, first the Senior Past Grand Master, and so on down to the Junior; and after they had all got through we sometimes heard some good speeches.

Now, I do not intend to intimate that that remark applies to the Past Grand Masters who are round me to-night, for they are not very venerable as Past Grand Masters.

In those days we had among us the genial face, though somewhat serious manner, of Brother William D. Coolidge; and here also was Brother Winslow Lewis, one of the best Masons and one of the truest men I ever met or grasped by the hand. He used to say he could not make a speech, but he did tell a good story.

Now, I find among the appointments that I made this afternoon that there is one, somewhat down in the line, who I understand can make a capital speech, or if he does not care to do that, I am sure he can tell a good story; and I know of no better way to open up the exercises to-night than by beginning with a good story. I would like to hear from my Senior Grand Deacon, Worshipful Brother Charles T. Gallagher.

## SPEECH OF W. CHARLES T. GALLAGHER.

calling upon me to speak surprises me, Most  
ful Grand Master. I had no idea that the rank  
would be expected to say anything at this Feast  
ohn. I had understood the tradition to be, as you  
elined, — that the Senior Past Grand Master spoke,  
the whole line of Past Grand Masters followed,  
his turn, until it came to the last, who spoke  
y seats, and then went quietly and sorrowfully

, therefore, in rather an anomalous position. But  
asked to tell a story or say a few words. You  
ferred to the fact that twenty-five years ago you  
esent at one of these Feasts. I do not recall  
nt; but I remember one of these Feasts, and I  
r the last time that I was present at an Installa-  
the Grand Officers. And here I observe a parallel  
an appointment that was made of yourself at  
e and your appointment of me to the office to  
you have referred. At that investiture Most  
ful Brother Welch, in referring to the appoint-  
which he had made of yourself as Grand Pur-  
said, that he made the selection, not because he  
that the appointee had any special qualifications  
office to which he was appointed, but because he  
nted on the finance committee of the Grand  
where it was known he would be of some use;  
efore to obtain him for that position it was  
desirable to make him an officer of the Grand

Lodge. So I find myself appointed to the position of Senior Grand Deacon, not because I have any special qualifications for the office, but because I was wanted on the Board of Commissioners of Trials. You recognize the parallel between the appointments.

An incident that comes to my mind will not apply to the Most Worshipful Grand Master, but it will to myself. You have all of you seen, in your travels through the country, a dilapidated old farm-house, with broken windows, and an old hat stuck in where there should be a pane of glass. I am a member of the Grand Lodge in just the same way that that old hat is a part of the window, put there for another purpose than that of receiving and giving light.

At the last Communication of the Grand Lodge, when the Grand Master was elected, the Commissioners of Trials, being, presumably, the law department of the Grand Lodge, passed upon the question whether they, as Commissioners of Trials, had a right to ballot, and decided that they had not. Worshipful Brother Blair and myself held no other office in the Grand Lodge, but were duly appointed, and performing the duties of Commissioners of Trials, as we had been doing for years, Right Worshipful Brother Welch doing most of the work, and we seconding his reports. But when we realized our position, that we could sit in the Grand Lodge, but have no vote or ballot, I told Brother Blair that it reminded me of the unfortunate individual in New York, who, having partaken of too much of that fluid which is more balmy than embalming, went wandering about to see i

find some place of amusement and entertainment. Presently he saw a bright light in a building, and people going in; so he concluded that it was a place of entertainment. He waited until all was quiet, and then he walked in through the swinging doors. At the time when he entered the church, for such it was, the preacher had just concluded his exhortation, and those who believed in the Lord and wanted to go to heaven stood up. They all stood. They then sat down and the preacher said, "Now all those who are here and don't want to go to heaven, stand up." A member of the congregation remained seated except his friend who had just entered; and, seeing that the preacher and himself were the only two that were standing, he said, "Mr. Chairman, I don't know what (hic) is before the house, but you and I (hic) must be in a hopeless minority."

Sir, I should fail of my duty to you and to the Grand Lodge, if I did not acknowledge my appreciation and honor that you have conferred upon me in naming me one of your subordinate officers. It is a distinction with any Mason may be proud, in a Body composed of men representing the highest hopes and principles of our attainment; men who have been selected from their Brethren as leaders in their respective localities who exemplify in their lives the great moral truths and virtues of our noble Institution, and who by reason of their ability are selected "to rule and govern;" the multitude being sifted to make Masons, and the grist being sifted to make the officers of a Lodge. It, indeed,

is a proud distinction to be appointed among a Body of men thus selected.

But, Most Worshipful Grand Master, I shall mar the anticipated brevity of my few words if I proceed farther. There remains that immortal line of respected and beloved Grand Masters, whose age forbids inspiration from being derived at any artificial fountain, and whose fund of reminiscence and experience makes their speech and presence so interesting and delightful to their associates. To them I say, "Venerable men, you have come down to us from a former generation," and at this season of "Peace on earth and good-will to men," at a point midway between the anniversary of the nativity and the birth of a new year, I offer this sentiment:

"The dear old days and the dear new days, and the dear old boys that make the dear new days as bright and happy as the dear old days."

It is a popular tradition, but a fallacious one, that a member of my profession can be tapped at any time for a few feeble remarks without previous notice; and the application comes most frequently after a good dinner when a man is comfortable in a shrunken intellect and a distended abdomen, at a time when, as Dr. Wier Mitchell puts it in his "Characteristics," "a man's ideas are in his stomach rather than in his brains." In that condition I will illustrate my feelings by referring you to the description an old resident gave to a newly arrived relative of his duties in his official position.

It seems Patrick was met at Castle Garden, and, after seeing something of New York, was taken by his friend



latter's place of business, which turned out to be  
stant to a lecturer in a museum of wax works and  
. After describing a number of Napoleons and  
features of the exhibition, they stopped before a  
labelled "Daniel in the lions' den," and after  
ful contemplation Patrick said, "But where is  
"— "Do you see the distention on the belly of  
g lion? Well, that's Daniel," said the friend.  
' he went on, "Daniel had a fallin' out wid Neb-  
ezer, and so Neb had him thrown in a din av  
he wouldn't recant; and afther lowering Daniel  
wid a rope till he could hear the lions clawin' and  
to git at him, Daniel hollered out, 'Pull me up,  
up, or o'll cut the rope.' So they pulled him  
he frish air and asked him would he go in the  
and make a spache at a big dinner and recant;  
e said, 'no, lower me down again; thank God  
to one meal where there's no after-dinner

GRAND MASTER.—Brethren, one of the  
gratifying features of the honor which  
en conferred upon me this evening by  
installed as Grand Master, and being  
upon to preside at this Feast, is the  
ge of calling around me, among the Breth-  
no are guests at this table, so many dis-  
hed Past Grand Officers, who have done  
service to this Grand Lodge.

To one Brother I sent a brief note, telling him that we had not heard the sound of his silvery voice, conveying kind words, for many years. He was formerly District Deputy for what is now the Twenty-fifth District; and he, and the Brethren who went with him, made that District an example for all the other Districts in this State to follow. I refer to Hon. Edward Avery, Past Junior Grand Warden of this Grand Lodge.

SPEECH OF R.W. EDWARD AVERY.

I return my thanks to you, Most Worshipful Grand Master, for the very kind manner in which you have introduced me. I congratulate you, Brethren, and I congratulate the members of our Fraternity throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; that we have so good a Grand Master to preside over the deliberations of our Grand Lodge, and visit the Brethren in the Lodges throughout the Commonwealth.

It is said that one of the things which men are taught by Masonry is the restraint of their passions, the control of their appetites; but, as I have looked around me to-night, and seen the good things that have been eaten,—“Those dainty tid-bits,” you know, that Shakespeare says, “make fat ribs but bankrupt wits,” and then turned, myself, to the liquids that wash them down, and found in these little tapering glasses a beverage such as never was distilled in



tages of the gods, I have returned additional thanks Brethren of the Grand Lodge for having elected a Grand Master.

resents one of those anomalies in nature,—dry mid. A celebrated physiologist says that when you of it you are never exhilarated, but the converse ,—those things which ought to be predominant in in are paralyzed, and those things which should p and fill the heart with joy are allowed with- tstraint to exercise themselves.

seriously, Brethren, I have looked upon Masonry of the educating influences of our country,— ng us not merely in morals, not merely in physics, rely in self-restraint, but educating us up to the standard of a true recognition of individual liberty a republican form of government. What better acy is there than the Blue Lodge? Why, you take n whom you make the Master of the Lodge, and member of the Lodge says, "He's my Master." en recognize and put into practice the great princi- the election of one of your own to the government r Lodge. You obey the law, and thereby you learn ome a good citizen of the great Republic of the States of America.

this, Most Worshipful Grand Master, is all serious. he remarks that have fallen from the lips of my Gallagher, it seems to be next to impossible for e to speak upon a serious subject. (Laughter.) I why that laugh? What called it forth, Most Wor- ? I didn't intend that any one should laugh when I

spoke on a serious subject, and I certainly did not intend to speak about a serious subject when I referred to my Brother Gallagher. I do not, Most Worshipful, propose to detain the Brethren longer. I will give as a sentiment, "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. May its membership never decrease, and may its Grand Masters always be equal to him who presides over its deliberations to-night!"

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, I have been gradually toning you down from the Senior Grand Deacon with his stories, to a District Deputy Grand Master, and now we come down to another appointment which I made this afternoon—a Brother whose voice, I think, has never been heard in this Hall before. I refer to our newly appointed Grand Chaplain, the Rev. Brother E. A. Horton.

SPEECH OF REV. BRO. E. A. HORTON.

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETHREN: You rarely make mistakes. You are too sure a man for that. But my feeble voice has been heard in feeble remarks in this room once before—a voice enfeebled by a sip from a punch made most unearthly strong by the Master of my Lodge.

I am glad to be in better estate this evening, although I go into liquidation, as Brother Avery does occasionally, but not, perhaps, with such clear-headed results as he

I am a green hand at this business. You don't know I shiver down to the small toe. When I go to the Lodge-room I am afraid of making a misstep, going out at the wrong time, or doing something I should not do; and, when I walked in the procession this evening, I am free to confess that I had my arm beside me, who promised solemnly that he would go on aside without first telling me. In that way, I made the most respectable showing. I was by the side of Mr. Bicknell, who has been in the Order a long time. I wish to say, if you will allow punning from a layman—and clergymen perpetrate these things once in a while—that the name of our Grand Master is typical: he will mainly weld us together in unity and harmony. You know why he has called on me? It is well told in a story. At one of our railroad stations there was a man who "told" the trains. He had an eloquent gift in his speech. I cannot hope to imitate him, but he could thoroughly convulse you if I could; but he had a peculiar way of calling out the trains and notifying the passengers. There was a woman appeared there one day with her little boy, and she came and asked him, "What time does the train go to Saugus?"—"The train goes to Saugus in twenty minutes." She waited around a while, but pretty soon came back to him again, and asked, "Will you be so good as to tell me when the train goes to Saugus?" He seemed to have never seen her before, and he said, "Madam, the train goes to Saugus in twenty minutes." She walked away again, and after a little while returned to him and

repeated her former inquiry, "Will you kindly tell me what time the train goes to Saugus?" He said, with some excitement, "Madam, I told you twice before that the train goes to Saugus in twenty minutes." She said, "Well, I knew it; I knew it all the time; you needn't get mad; my little boy only wanted to see you work your mouth." That's what we Grand Chaplains are for—to work our mouths. My Brother Cuckson worked his very energetically during the dinner—I did too. But the Grand Master has got me up now to manipulate my labial organs.

I feel sure that you do not know one thing, most of you, that our friend who sits at the chief post, in the chief chair of office to-day, is a much honored member of another organization; and I am happy to think of him not only in this relationship, but as an honored, as a dearly beloved, member of the Grand Army Post 113.

I think, as you look at me, that you are a royal good set of fellows, and it reminds me of this anecdote, if you will let me tell one story more, after the amusement which has been afforded you by my Brother Gallagher, who easily outstrips all of us; though we will scramble after him, even if we get left a long way behind. There was a minister out West who didn't get along very well. He had been serving on a circuit at a small salary, and it was intimated to him that his congregation wanted him to go, so he laid up and fired hot shot at them when he came to preach his farewell sermon,—clergymen sometimes do that sort of thing when saying a tender and Christian good-by. "Now," he said, "I have seen in heaven a certain picture. There will be a Judgment Day,

the shepherds will come with their flocks; the pastors come to the gates of heaven with their people for morning. Luther will be there, and he will say, 'Oh, Lord, are the sheep that I have gathered in;' and it will be so with Calvin, and it will be so with Knox, and it will be so with those dear, beloved souls. Then I shall come and I shall come up to the gates of heaven. And do you suppose I shall have to say? 'Oh, Lord,'—a Methodist minister didn't always emulate the best, but he hit the mark,—'Oh, Lord, I hain't got sheep: they are all hogs!'" My beloved Most Worshipful Grand Master, if you should lead all this flock you could not possibly say anything of that sort to God, or anybody else.

And it has been intimated that Brother Gallagher set a pace, and that pace is so rapid that I can't keep up. I would like to say just one serious thing. I envy you who have been so long in Masonry. All things come home to me, and I see and hear them with an impressedness that you cannot realize. I find something come to my eyes; I find the heart's chords thrilled by the utterances and songs of these good Brethren in the West, with Dow and others at the head. All these things stir me beyond your comprehension. I am a stranger over of such surrounding circumstance. I see dignity in it; I behold an education in it, as Brother Avery said, not only for citizenship, but for many high qualities and possibilities of human character; and so I say, from my heart's sincerity, that every step I have

taken, within the past six or eight months, commencing under the charge of my good friend here, who supported me and guided me on, — I assure you that I have never been through chapters of deeper or more increasing import to me than those that I have read and meditated upon afterwards under the tuition of this Order.

I want to thank the Most Worshipful Grand Master for honoring me so unexpectedly. It came as a great surprise; and this position will not only enable me, possibly, to serve you in some degree, but it will enable me to gain for myself a larger and a wider outlook on human nature and on this distinguished Order. I think that Masonry to-day, as I, a novice, see it, has an important work to do, such as no other organization can hope to compete with. I see to-day the accent that you have always laid upon the merits of a man as a man, until Burns becomes the symbol of what we believe, that no matter what his condition may be, "A man's a man for a' that."

If there is any one thing that I long to help do before the tombstone is placed over my grave, it is to join with others to make this world more real, more sweet at its fountains, more helpful in the hands of toil, broader, more inclusive, with the banner of humanity swinging over us as the great rallying insignia for us and for all men. And I believe that, in having the privilege granted me of coming within your Order, and getting a faint sight of some things that I have not seen before, I have been able to take a more comprehensive view; and I wish now simply to say, that I re-pledge myself, in my humble

ry, to join with you in whatever will make this  
 , this United States, this world, more given over  
 atsoever is just, and true, and genuine among men.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, I am going  
 a little bit now, and I am coming to the  
 hipful Masters, some of whom are not  
 ers, perhaps, of this Grand Lodge in  
 matter of a vote. There is present here  
 ight one who, when I made my first  
 nd at the door, answered it. Later on  
 mitted me, by consent of the Worship-  
 Master, and I think that he received me  
 ell upon the "points" that his virus vacci-  
 me; so that what Masonry I have in  
 perhaps, comes through him. It was from  
 nstructive tongue that I received my first  
 as in Masonry. That was in Thorndike  
 I refer to Worshipful Brother Rodo-  
 hi.

#### SPEECH OF BROTHER JOHN M. RODOCANACHI.

BRETHREN: I am ordered to make a few remarks. By  
 g the call I shall mar the brilliant thoughts of  
 who have preceded me; yet, Brethren, I must needs  
 ledge my appreciation of the honor.  
 e twelve months ago the Most Worshipful Grand

Lodge of Massachusetts, the central constellation of our Fraternity, having accomplished its rotation around its own axis, presented to us a new star, a star which possessed the power to attract these satellites, enabling them to perform harmoniously their various revolutions. I allude, Brethren, to our late Most Worshipful Grand Master, Richard Briggs, a Brother who possessed not only the qualifications, to a remarkable degree, for the performance of the highest duties of the office, but also those social qualities which rendered him a companion, a Brother indeed, to all those who approached him in the line of duty. The moment he ascended the throne the whole Fraternity of the State looked forward to a successful and brilliant administration; yet, Brethren, "man proposes, but God disposes." It has pleased our Almighty Father to take him from this world of pain to that place where the weary find rest. It was fortunate, indeed, for us that he was surrounded by officers who were able to keep the ship of our Fraternity in smooth waters, until a new star shone across our horizon, which, like the Polar Star, is of the utmost importance to the system in which it is now the chief guide. Most Worshipful Brother Weld is one whom we all regard as a man of consummate worth. His life is full of earnestness, goodness, blessedness; he misses no opportunity to bestow a kindness; he is ever ready to assist his fellow-men. To do good, with him, is neither the exotic plant, nurtured by artificial means in the hot-house of ostentation, nor the puny product of a mere sense of duty. The discharge of his duties, official and otherwise, is the bloom, the flower, the fruit, the completeness of



anly life. Brethren, I feel, in the innermost recesses  
y heart that we have reason to congratulate our-  
upon having placed the affairs of our Institution in  
ands.

l, Brethren, at his invitation, I have made my ora-  
and now, before resuming my seat, after the com-  
n of my dissertation, I will give you an invitation  
n me in a libation to our Most Worshipful Grand  
r, Brother Weld. May the new year be to him,  
o every one of us, a year of health, prosperity, and  
ntment.

HE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, I have  
pleasure of introducing to you now one  
I think, was appointed by my immediate  
ecessor one year ago. It was my priv-  
e to meet him first this winter, and it has  
n me great pleasure to re-appoint him  
nd Chaplain. I refer to Rev. Brother  
kson.

#### SPEECH OF REV. BROTHER JOHN CUCKSON.

OST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETHREN: I  
t there must be something particularly stimulating in  
atmosphere of this room, or in the quality of this  
uet, when a clergyman takes to making puns and a  
er to quoting Scripture. I do not wish to imply that  
lawyer may not quote Scripture to advantage. I think  
ay. Sometimes, however, it is misquoted. I have

heard of a case in which the late General Butler and Judge Hoar were on opposite sides in the trial of a man for murder.

BROTHER AVERY. — They always were on opposite sides.

BROTHER CUCKSON. — General Butler pleaded very hard for his client, and in the course of a somewhat warm and eloquent speech he said, "We have it on the highest authority that all that a man hath will he give for his life." Very few people in the court-room at that time knew that General Butler was quoting Satan; but Judge Hoar was quick-witted, and said that for a great many years he had been trying to discover who was General Butler's highest authority, and that he was very glad to have found out.

However, there is something, in connection with our Brotherhood, that is a little higher and a little nobler and a little more satisfactory to us in our calmer moods than the enjoyment of an occasion like this. It is true that, as Masons, we are good fellows, cheerful and hospitable one towards another. We could not very well be Masons on any other principle; but I sometimes think that we forget the responsibilities which rest upon us in connection with this noble Brotherhood; and you must pardon me if, after so much levity, I venture for a brief moment to refer to the sacredness of the trust committed to us, and the responsibility under which we rest as Masons.

We are united despite all our differences, — political, social, religious, — in one close bond of Brotherhood. Some one has referred to the fact that Masonry is demo-

Well, I rather think that it is, seeing that only time ago the Lodge of St. Andrew admitted an man into its circle. [Brother Cuckson himself.] I reflected on the early history of that Lodge, reading the centenary volume, and learning there the Lodge was so anti-English that it would not even Charter from England, but must have one from d, I could not help feeling that a slight change en place in the venerable and conservative Brother- which would permit it to admit an Englishman after y years of exclusion.

only is Masonry democratic, but I venture to say asonry is, in the very best, and broadest, and high- se of the word, thoroughly and essentially Christian. the word advisedly, because, while the various s of this land, and indeed of all lands, are grop- ut in a feeble kind of way, to find some basis of and fellowship upon which they can rest, despite r differences of opinion, Masonry has found this e long, long ago, and what the clergymen are talk- ut we are practising every day of our lives. We ere on a common principle of Brotherhood. We ar independent views, religious and political; but er permit our distinctive opinions, either of politics religion, to interfere in the least degree with our humanity, or with our sympathies as Brethren.

that is exactly as it should be. We do not want hide their views; we do not want men to speak e lips what they do not believe with the heart; not want men to prevaricate or shuffle, either

politically or theologically; but we want them to come down to this position, that it is possible for men to meet together, to live together, with all their shades and varieties of opinion, and to respect each other as Brethren. And when you come to think of the prevalence of political animosity and of religious strife in the world, you will see that this is a great principle, and I know of no other society which is bringing the principle into practice, or even trying to do it, except Masonry. We have done it, and done it successfully, for a good many years.

Now, I hope the time is not far distant when politicians and theologians will take a few elementary lessons in brotherhood from Masons. They can do it with advantage, and do it to their own good and to the world's good; because, as long as men are men, and as long as a man is self-respecting, he will hold his own independent convictions, whether political or religious, and defy the world to meddle with them. And no man can dispute or challenge his right to do so. So long as that is essential, so long as it is part and parcel of our human nature, and no amount of effort or persecution, or anything else, can change the fact, you might as well acknowledge it at once, and acknowledge it forever, and let it be generally understood that Providence never intended us to look alike, or act alike, or think alike; but that it was intended that there should be in our humanity, what there is in the world of nature, unity in the midst of great diversity.

Furthermore, I wish we had some way of letting the

world know something of the principles which are to us. The other day a reporter came to me, evidently wanted to know something about Masonry. Some foolish clergyman—and there are unwise men on the pulpit as well as out of it—some foolish clergyman was saying all sorts of extravagant and ridiculous things about Masonry, identifying it with anarchy and monstrous notions. Well, I believe the first Masons in America did turn the tea out of the British ships in the Harbor, and made revolution glorious. But he also identified it with Mormonism, and accused secret societies of sympathizing with Mormonism. Well, Brethren, we all stand against that sort of thing. We may have our shortcomings and defects, but we do draw the line at Mormonism.

And, therefore, that we had some means of enlightening the public mind, to a certain extent, as to our real position. When he interviewed me I said, "Well, you don't know anything about it. You can't know anything about it. No Mason can tell you. But I think you ought to have sense enough to know that some of the best people in the community are Masons. Your best men, your best literary men, your men of high standing in the community, your noblest citizens, have identified with Masonry; and is not that enough to tell you that Masonry cannot be a very bad thing? You do not suppose that these men,—men of high standing and integrity, and ability, and high service,—patriots and statesmen, who have identified themselves with Masonry for a long time—would lend their countenance and

support to anything discreditable." Therefore you must take it for granted that when a number of good men are identified with a great cause, there is something in that cause that deserves support, and that will last just as long as good men last.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, we have heard from the Church, we have heard from the Law, and there seems to be a little difference of opinion between the two professions with regard to certain facts; so I think that the best thing I can do is to refer the matter to the decision of a "learned judge" whom I see present, Brother Charles Levi Woodbury.

SPEECH OF R.W. BROTHER WOODBURY.

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: I came here tonight to congratulate you on your accession to this high office, and to express the great comfort and pleasure that I have in seeing you there, and the faith which I have that Masonry will derive great benefit from your term of office.

I did not come here, Sir, to act as arbitrator, or judge, in this tussle between the reverend clergy and the irreverent lawyers, which has sprung up all of a sudden. You may say that the issue is, "Let her go, Gallagher!" or you may say that the issue is, "Let her go, parsons!", but I must say that when I was a boy I loved

a good, fair wrestle; and now that I am old the has not departed from me.

little stir-up between my reverend friends and my friend, Brother Avery, has been a very pretty scrap" so far as it has gone; but I am aware was accused of quoting Scripture incorrectly.

it is not a great professional offence for a lawyer the law incorrectly to a judge, but if he quotes incorrectly, woe betide him when the Church sits correct him.

itrator, then, constituted so by the Most Worship- and Master, I will undertake, before I get through marks, to quote Scripture correctly, with the authority everend Church itself, in vindication of the alleged quotation of my Brother Avery.

rother Gallagher, when he "let her went," and my Avery, when he made his remarks upon this beautiful, ent, and charming fluid which is before us, and in us — ing which the clergy have opposed. On the contrary, that they have imbibed, quite moderately and temper- t with the same secret enjoyment, and with the same ng of eloquence and wisdom, that my Brother Avery ; and to that extent the honors are easy.

am reminded of another reverend gentleman, not night, — a good, pious, wrong-headed soul, who is stirring up mischief and strife in the name of peace. our friend Miner, who is preaching cold water, while ts of the East are preaching cold champagne; and I at in behalf of those of us who are assembled here t might well be said that the wisdom and the poetry

and the intellect of the civilized world — of England and of the United States — are upon our side. Coleridge, commenting upon the miserable condition in which the Indian lived when the white folks came here and brought beer to drink instead of cold water, said, "Water, water, everywhere, nor any drop to drink." Shakespeare, two hundred and fifty years ago, caught up the same cry, and in "Hamlet," from the mouth of Horatio, said, "Too much of water hath Ophelia now."

I have talked to you very often, Brethren of the Grand Lodge. I have told you to be good, and you have been good. You have grown to be so good that you don't want to be lectured on goodness any longer. I have told you to be patriotic, and you have been patriotic, and you need no tutor, for you know the way yourselves. I have told you to be faithful to your Masonic ties, and you have been faithful to your Masonic ties, as witness this grand assemblage here to-night.

But I was referring, or meant to refer, to some thirty or forty years ago, when Governor Horatio Seymour was Governor of New York, and somebody there, some missionary, introduced the first prohibition law. I had a talk with the Governor some years afterwards, (having heard outside what I am about to relate), and asked him what the facts were; and I got them from his own lips, so that I am sure they are right. When this law was before the Legislature he received a letter from a Scotch-Irish parson in a Scotch-Irish district in New York — a good old Scotch-Irish race — which ran in this way: "I have seen an account of this prohibition law and this matter about drinking water. I have considered



subject carefully, and searched the Scriptures, and I saw that water once destroyed the whole of the human race in one family, that of Noah, and when he got ashore he immediately went and got drunk. I have searched the New Testament as diligently as I have the Old Testament, and I find that wine is referred to as cheering the heart of man, and St. Paul advises Timothy to take a little wine for his stomach's sake and his often infirmities, but I find no water mentioned except in one case, and that was by Dives, when he was in Hades, where he ought to be."

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, I think Brother Woodbury has left you in rather a cold place. Since the evening is advancing, I propose that we had better fall back upon the Past Grand Masters once more. I notice that some of them are getting a little uneasy in their seats. Perhaps the one who can take the heat out of that hot place, and land us where it is cooler, is the Brother on my right, Past Grand Master Wells.

#### SPEECH OF R.W. SAMUEL WELLS.

WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: I very much admire the liberality with which you prolonged the fears of the Past Grand Masters present, and finally lighted upon the idea that was also a very felicitous idea of yours to keep the Past Grand Masters quiet until nearly the end of the evening. Brother Woodbury knows very well that there

is a remark somewhere in the book that he occasionally used to see, when he was young, about keeping good wine until the last. That may not be the correct quotation, but you catch the idea. I am very proud, Most Worshipful Grand Master, of the official position which I now occupy, — that of Past Grand Master. I have looked forward for many years to occupying that office, and I am glad to be at last landed in that most delightful, useful, and laborious position. It is one which, as I understand by the Grand Constitutions, I may be permitted to fill *ad vitam*, as the clergy would say, — that is, for the rest of my life, and during good behavior. I trust that you will be a little lenient on the question of good behavior, and that you will not be very strict, and expel me from this office for slight deviations. Indeed, considering my advanced years, you will all agree with me that I cannot possibly behave as badly as I wish I could. It makes me feel a little old to think that I am a Past Grand Master, and also that this is the first Feast of St. John for some twelve years or more at which I have had nothing to do but to sit still and look on. Heretofore it has been my privilege either to swear myself, or to cause somebody else to swear, at some stage of the day's proceedings; and I do not know but, considering my progress in years, it is about time for me to make my Masonic will, and stow it away in the archives. If I should do that, I would give, devise, and bequeath the many Masonic addresses that I delivered while I was Grand Master, to the present Grand Master. I will write him a little letter with that will, suggesting to him how he can

changes on those addresses. For instance, where said that this Grand Lodge is the "oldest, best, best," etc., several other adjectives of that kind — "mankind ever created or established," he may use this way, "The finest, best, and oldest institution mankind ever established is that of Freemasonry." By turning it round in that way, he can make twice. My collection of anecdotes I would bequeath to Mr. Gallagher; but I do not think that he has any of them, therefore I will bequeath them to the Common Curiosities of the Grand Lodge, — that is to say, they may be left of them after they have been revised by the Grand Chaplains. They would not make a very good book after going through that process. My Masonic library the widow I will give, devise, and bequeath to Mr. Woodbury.

Worshipful: I do not think I will give you all the uses of that will, because the hour is getting a little late, but I will wind up its provisions with a sentence, which is a pretty good way in which to wind. I will wind it up with the sober and solemn that I retain, for my own use, during my life, and for the Fraternity, and, upon my decease, I will devise, and bequeath it to the whole body of the Lodge throughout the world, wheresoever dispersed.

GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, I have a little to say about some of the Past Masters; but there is one Past Grand Master present here to-night concerning whom

I can truly say I know no better Mason, and no one who has done better service than he did in the three years during which he held the office of Grand Master,—I refer to Right Worshipful Brother Endicott.

SPEECH OF PAST GRAND MASTER ENDICOTT.

MOST WORSHIPFUL: I thank you very sincerely for the kind preface you have given to the few words that I may say this evening. After the vacation from speech-making which I have enjoyed for the past few years, no one will expect me to say much, for you know how soon one gets out of practice in that sort of thing. I am glad to stand here once more, however, and express my sense of the real privilege and pleasure that it is to meet you here once a year in this way. We realize that privilege, especially when we allow our thoughts to slip back to other years, and recall how these annual meetings have been golden mile-stones in our lives.

At no other time do the faces of those who have been accustomed to meet with us, but who have left us for the unknown world beyond, appear before us so vividly as here, where we have listened to their voices and felt our hearts warm to them in friendship.

It is a privilege to say a few words in memory of him who, one year ago to-day, was installed as Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts. He has gone from us, apparently in the full vigor of manhood, touched by none of the weaknesses that usually accompany advancing years,

able to enjoy the work, the friendships, and the pleasure of a rich, full life. It is given to few men to see their life's efforts crowned with a fuller measure of success than was the case with our friend and Brother. The business career of no man in the city of Boston was more sincere in its aims, more generous and just in its methods, more honorable in its standards, more fortunate in its reputation. We, who have known him closely for many years, and who have enjoyed his kind hospitality and been delighted by his own unfailing cheerfulness, know that his place among us can never be filled. Tonight we greet as our Grand Master one upon whom the mantle of authority sits well. We gladly hail him as worthy of the high honor to which his Brethren have elected him. Let us bring to him our congratulations, and our best wishes, and our hearty and loyal support.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, as I look around the tables my eye lights upon one who, in various offices, has done good service to the Masonic Fraternity in Boston and its vicinity. He hails from a little place out here called Dedham. I will introduce to you Right Worshipful Brother Ely.

SPEECH OF PAST DEPUTY GRAND MASTER ELY.

TO THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETHREN: This nomination is somewhat unexpected to me, since I did not expect, like my Brother Avery, to receive a note suggesting

that I might be called upon to address you on this occasion; but it affords me much pleasure to say a few words to you, even at this late hour of the evening.

Indeed, it is a long time since I have had the opportunity of speaking in this Hall. In that particular, Most Worshipful, I am a little like a young man of whom I heard some time ago, who on a certain evening had offered himself in marriage to a young lady who, the next day, said to her father, "Papa, last night George proposed to marry me, and I have come to ask your consent."—"Well," the old gentleman said, "I fear that George has sadly missed his opportunities, and has been guilty of neglect."—"Why, papa," said she, "he never had an opportunity until last night."

Most Worshipful Grand Master, I avail myself of this, my earliest opportunity, to extend to you my most sincere congratulations on your elevation to this high office; and I congratulate the Masons throughout Massachusetts that they have at their head a man who is so worthy and able to lead them in the true paths and in right directions. I might, possibly, Most Worshipful Grand Master, have said the same thing for your predecessor in this office. Indeed, some of us, as I recognized on the day of the election, felt, as we sometimes hear it expressed in poetry:

"How happy could I be with either  
Were t'other dear charmer away."

But I recognized then, and I think I recognize now, and I think the Brethren throughout the Commonwealth

ize the valuable services which you have given to Grand Lodge; and that you should now be elevated to a high and responsible office is no more than a fair and just recognition of those services. Most Worshipful Master, yours is a high and honorable position. You are at the head of more than thirty thousand men from the intelligent and educated population of Massachusetts. In my estimation, it is a great thing to be at the head of any large organization in the State of Massachusetts. I used the words "picked men," and the speakers who preceded me have spoken of the men, the statesmen, who have been Masons in the past and the recent history of the country. But we need not go back very far; we need not look so high, in order to place an estimate upon the men who have had the honor of taking part in Freemasonry. Look around you on every side and see the men who are best known and most appreciated by their neighbors and acquaintances; look around us on every side, and see the men who are chosen to control the local affairs in this Commonwealth; in almost every instance—at least in a very large number of cases—you will find that those men are Masons, chosen to fill those offices because they are Masons, because they possess those qualities which enable them to undergo the ordeal of a Masonic election as members of our Fraternity.

As I was thinking, Most Worshipful, as I sat here and heard a remark of one of the Grand Chaplains—I was thinking of my own town of Dedham, where, out of the five members, four are Masons; one member of the School



Board is a Mason; the President and Cashier of the National Bank are Masons;—and so you might pass along the line, and you will find that the men who are selected by their neighbors—those who know them best, and who desire the best welfare of the community—are those who have seen light in a Masonic Lodge. And what is true of my own town I venture to affirm—I know it is so in my vicinity—is true of the other towns of the Commonwealth.

Now, Sir, it is not, as I have said, *because* they are Masons that they occupy those positions, but I believe that it is because they have imbibed into their minds and hearts, and have developed and manifested to their neighbors and friends, those principles of right, and justice, of equality, of fair dealing, of honesty, and, I may add also, of religion, which we learn, and which we are taught, in the Masonic Lodges. Because the people have learned to appreciate those things, as developed in these men, they are brought forward and put in high places of confidence and trust.

Now, Most Worshipful Grand Master, I congratulate you most sincerely that you are to occupy this place, this high place, as I say, of trust and responsibility in times of great prosperity and peace for the Masonic Fraternity. This thought occurs to me, because it was my good fortune to be associated intimately with Masonry, as one of the Officers of the Grand Lodge, at a time when the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge did not enjoy a season of prosperity and peace. I refer to the time when our Most Worshipful Brother Lawrence



and the position which you now fill. I am sorry I do not have him here this evening, but I have not forgotten the gigantic efforts which he made for the prosperity of the Commonwealth in Massachusetts. I remember one incident well, showing how he was regarded until the Masonic Fraternity throughout the length and breadth of the Commonwealth came to appreciate his worth and his excellence as a Grand Master. The older members of this Grand Lodge will very well remember that at that time the Grand Lodge was in financial straits, and it was due to his efforts, as well as those of his predecessors, that the Grand Lodge was put upon this footing of prosperity and advancement which it now occupies. He used to come to some Lodge to urge upon them, as he did upon the Grand Lodges throughout the Commonwealth, the necessity of paying the debt which was then resting upon the Grand Lodge; and after he had made his Address he would, as he always did, "If any Brother desires to ask questions regarding this matter, I shall be very glad to answer them, either publicly or in private; but I should prefer to answer them publicly, where all the Brethren of the Grand Lodge may hear my answer." Whereupon one Brother in the rear of the Hall arose and said, "I would like to know who is paying the expenses of these Grand Lodges who are riding round in palace cars and stopping at high-priced hotels?" Brother Lawrence, in his usual plain way, replied, "That is a somewhat embarrassing question for me to answer; but," he said, "I will answer it in this way, that not a dollar has come out of the treasury of the Grand Lodge for any palace cars,

or for any expenses which have attended me, or my suite, in our visitations throughout the Commonwealth."

The Brother subsided into the obscurity from which he had emerged, and another Brother arose and said, "Worshipful Master, I move that we pay our part of the debt of the Grand Lodge," and it was voted unanimously.

Now, I recited that merely to illustrate what some of your predecessors have been obliged to do. But to-day, as is apparent from all the reports, and from all that we know of Masonry in Massachusetts—it is certainly so in the Lodge from which I come—not only are we afloat financially, but the best young men, the most moral, the purest, the strength and sinew of the State, are knocking at the door and asking admission to our privileges. You are at the head of them all, Most Worshipful, and I am glad that we have so good a leader.

THE GRAND MASTER.—Brethren, you are all aware that the Grand Master has certain appointments to make. It is unfortunate in one respect that I have been chairman of a certain committee of the Grand Lodge for the past year. That committee, I believe, was not called together during the whole year; but I was chairman, and we did all the work that came to us,—I refer to the Committee on Curiosities. I had the pleasure of appointing a new chairman this year, Right

Worshipful Bro. Warren B. Ellis. I would like  
to say a few words from him.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER ELLIS.

WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: This is the second  
time that I have had this evening. The first was when  
my name was announced as a member of that com-  
mittee. I have myself considerable curiosity to know what  
the members of the committee are. I suppose that they  
possibly be to polish up General Warren's statue or  
to plant bunches of grapes. I assure you that, although  
I was called upon me, you can't persuade me to make  
a speech this evening, notwithstanding I appreciate the  
invitation very much.

GRAND MASTER.—I think a year from  
now Bro. Ellis will have a good report  
to make for that committee. He never failed  
to do anything he undertook to do.  
A little while ago of the services  
of Past Grand Masters. There is one Past  
Grand Master, sitting at my left now, who, I  
think, has done more in the past few years,  
as Secretary of this Grand Lodge, than  
any other people have done in a life-time. I refer  
to Grand Master Nickerson, whom I will  
ask to say a few words to you.

## RESPONSE OF BROTHER SERENO D. NICKERSON.

**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER:** I felicitated myself very much when I saw how you started the ball in rolling this evening, in the hope that the time might so rapidly fly, and that the number of speakers might be so large that you would not reach the very oldest of the "fossils" to whom you referred as Past Grand Masters. It so happens that I am the Senior Past Grand Master present.

I appreciate very highly, Most Worshipful Grand Master, the kind way in which you have presented me to the Brethren, and I can only say that, long as has been my service in different capacities in this Grand Lodge, and arduous as have been the labors which I have had to perform at some periods, I think that my enthusiasm for Masonry, and my attachment and devotion to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts especially, have sustained no diminution. I think that I feel as much enthusiasm now as I did twenty years ago, or a little more than twenty years ago,—twenty-two years ago to-night when Most Worshipful Grand Master Gardner installed me as his successor, and when I had the pleasure of presiding for the first time at the Feast of St. John the Evangelist. I have summered and wintered this Grand Lodge; I have seen it in times of great peril and danger; and I flatter myself that there is some truth in what the Grand Master has said, (though I should not perhaps, be quite willing to express it in the language which he has used), that I have been able to render some service to the Fraternity, and especially to this portion

I am proud of it, and as the mother feels es-  
devotion to the child that has been the object of  
most anxious care, so I think I have good grounds  
ing devoted to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.  
red upon my work in connection with it in a time  
at danger as regards the matter of debt, to which  
other Ely has alluded, and of which he had some  
nce, in the way of helping us out. I have fol-  
it in the green and dry tree, when I was rich  
hen I have been poor. In these vicissitudes I have  
time had the same devotion to the Fraternity and  
particular Grand Lodge. I believe that, with my  
breath, I shall feel a profound interest in and  
n to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

as occurred to me that it might be interesting to  
know something of the reason why we celebrate  
ast of St. John the Evangelist with so much zest  
asure. It is a very old institution. Like every-  
connected with Masonry, it has existed almost be-  
he researches of historians. Gould, in his history,  
s that the Feast of St. John the Evangelist was  
ed by the Scotch Lodges as early as 1670, and  
probability from a period more remote. There are  
tence, in the Grand Lodge of Scotland, or in some  
subordinate Lodges under the Grand Lodge of  
l, authentic records of the observance of this  
quite regularly from the year 1700.

there must be some special value to a festival  
as been observed with so little interruption, for  
an two hundred years, as has been the case with

this Feast of St. John the Evangelist. We know that it has been celebrated by the Brethren of the Fraternity for that length of time; and it seems to me that fact alone should give us a special attachment and devotion to it.

It was specially provided for in the early Deputations which were issued to our Grand Masters in this country — to Daniel Coxe in 1730, in which he was constituted Provincial Grand Master of New York, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey, and also to the next Grand Master, Henry Price, in 1733, who actually exercised his authority, (Daniel Coxe, so far as we know, not having done any thing). It was specially enjoined upon both of those Brethren, (as was the case with many of the Deputations which followed), that the Fraternity should assemble to celebrate either the Feast of St. John the Baptist or St. John the Evangelist, the preference being given to that of St. John the Evangelist. The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, following the custom of the two previous Grand Lodges which existed prior to 1792, has since faithfully observed the injunction contained in those Deputations. Even during the perilous times of the Revolution, the Massachusetts Grand Lodge celebrated the Feast of St. John the Evangelist almost without interruption. The St. John's Grand Lodge, as it was called, celebrated those Feasts, as we have records to show, up to about the year 1775. I verily believe that they also continued those celebrations up to a period of which we have no record, but in which we have faint indications that they were still working. It seems to me hardly proba-



that one Grand Lodge, existing here in the very  
of the Revolution, where it began, almost, and  
it was prosecuted with such determination and  
especially by the prominent members of the Masonic  
nity, — it seems to me hardly probable that one  
Lodge should have so persistently adhered to its  
ic obligations, in discharging its Masonic duties,  
t the other having done something, at least, —  
than we know anything about, — in the same di-

present Grand Lodge of Massachusetts has always  
persistent in the celebration of these occasions, and  
t respect they have set a most excellent example  
Fraternity throughout the country. I think that we  
almost the only Grand Lodge which formally cele-  
this Feast of St. John every year. There was a break  
few years during the anti-Masonic excitement; but  
e indebted to Grand Master Heard, (who came into  
in December, 1856, and who served in the years  
1858, and 1859), for the revival of this Feast; and  
eve that with the single exception of (I think it  
he year 1862, when we were all so much depressed  
count of the war, it has been celebrated without  
ption ever since. And I think that the Brethren  
ave been present on many of these occasions will  
with me in the opinion that this Feast gives us  
interest, and sends us back to our subordinate Lodges  
fresh zeal, fresh interest in the success and pros-  
and in the promotion of the principles of Masonry  
year. I trust, Most Worshipful Grand Master, that

we shall go on in this direction without interruption; and that we shall recognize the great service which our eminent Grand Master, John T. Heard, did the Fraternity when he re-established this Festival of St. John the Evangelist. I assure you, Most Worshipful Grand Master, that I have participated, on this occasion, with renewed zeal and renewed interest, and I trust that I may be spared for many years yet to come and join you on these interesting occasions.

The Brethren who have preceded me have alluded to some very interesting and important points in the history of our Fraternity. Our Grand Chaplains especially have called your attention to the fact that this organization — perhaps they have not stated it quite so broadly as I should, but I believe it to be the fact — that our Masonic Fraternity was the first organization that we know anything about that advocated the principle of the recognition of the rights of Brethren who entertained different opinions in regard to politics and religion. They were the first to advocate toleration upon these points, and to instruct their Brethren of that time, and to hand it down to future ages, that it was the duty of the Masonic Fraternity to recognize the right of individual judgment, and to treat those who differed from them in opinion on those points as worthy to be recognized as Brethren. In this respect, if in no other, as the Grand Chaplains have told you, the Masonic Fraternity have rendered an important service to the human race.

I think we have profound reason to congratulate ourselves that we have been able to preserve this Fraternity,



ally here in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,—  
the oldest existing on the continent,—that we have  
able to preserve these principles with so great fidel-  
d to transmit them unimpaired to those who shall  
after us.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, before we  
I desire to say that there is one present  
round whose neck it gave me great  
ure to place the jewel of office. I took  
ion to say to him that I could depend on  
as on a rod of iron, knowing that any  
which it fell to him to perform he would  
te with great ability. He has not had an  
tunity to be heard, except in the Ritual.  
er to my Deputy Grand Master, Edwin  
Holmes.

#### SPEECH OF DEPUTY GRAND MASTER HOLMES.

WORSHIPFUL SIR: I expected this, as a conse-  
of my accepting the position of Deputy Grand  
, with which your kindness has honored me. There-  
cannot say that I am surprised or unprepared;  
hesitate to detain you, on account of the brilliant  
ses which have been made here this evening, and  
a account of the lateness of the hour. I think that  
ld be much better for me and for you if I ask  
to report in print.

THE GRAND MASTER. — No; go on.

BROTHER HOLMES. — I have been studying the Grand Constitutions for the purpose of learning my duty as Deputy Grand Master; and I find that when the Grand Master is present the Deputy is officially absent. It is only when the Grand Master is absent that the Deputy has any duty or authority. Constitutionally, then, in the presence of the Grand Master, the Deputy should be silent, for where there is no duty there should be no voice. Yet I cannot refrain from taking this opportunity to thank you for the very high honor that you have conferred upon me by appointing me to this office, — an appointment entirely unexpected, and, therefore, all the more gratifying.

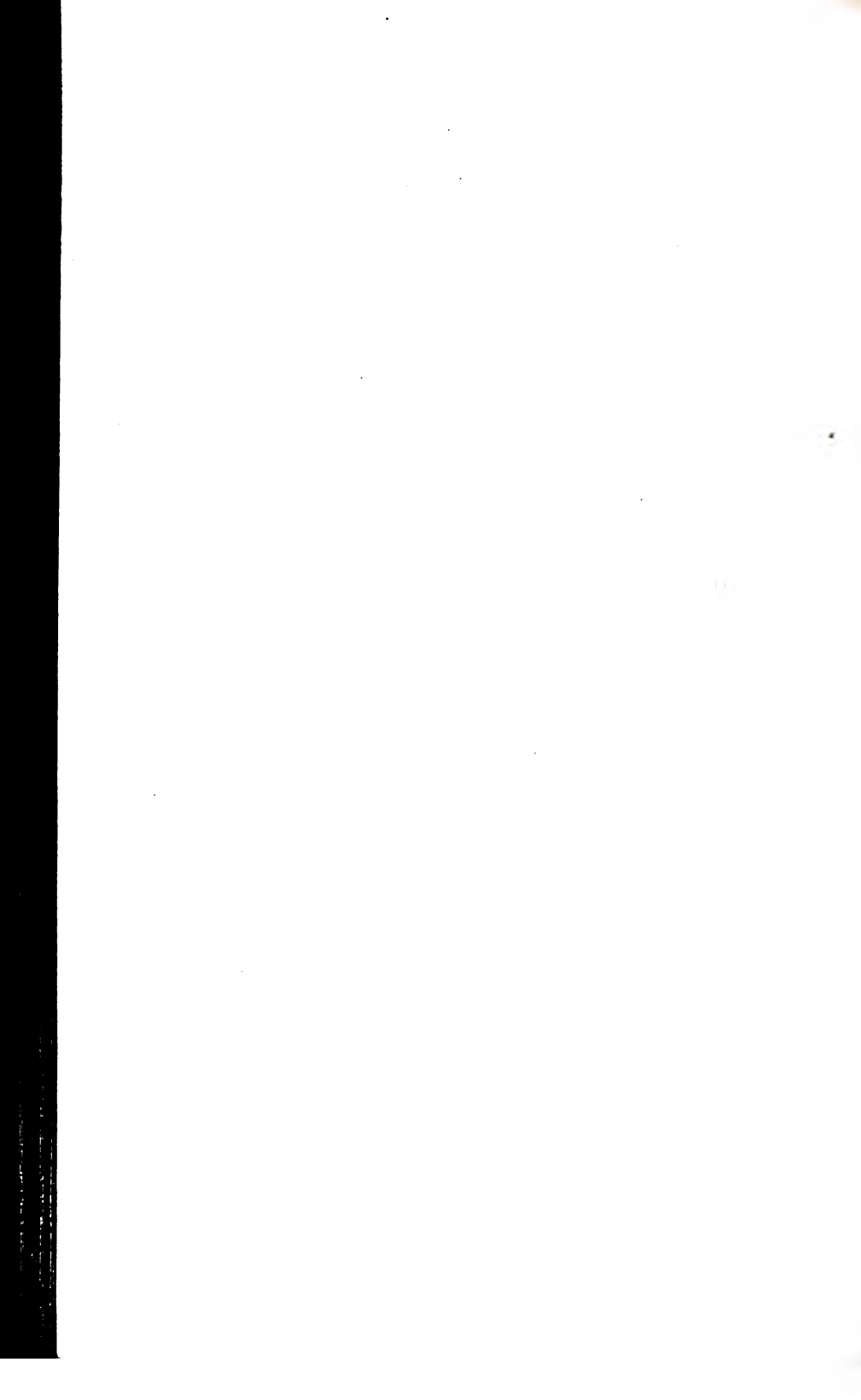
I pledge you, Most Worshipful Sir, my earnest and cheerful support. I will try to discharge faithfully every duty incumbent upon me, and will be loyal to the best interests of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Last year, at the Feast of St. John, Right Worshipful Brother Dame — I wish he were here to-night — when called upon said that he must set a good example for the young men, and that he would not inflict a lengthy speech upon you. He forgot that he could not afflict us, however long he might speak; for how could one so loyal and true, with over forty years of Masonic experience, and with a heart thoroughly in sympathy with the principles of our Order, be listened to but with the most profound attention. With the proud and noble record of Right Worshipful Brother Dame in this Grand Lodge before him, no young man could go far astray if he followed that bright example.

therefore, going to follow his example, at least to the extent of making my remarks short.

Brethren, although I am but a youth in Masonry, as compared with many of you, still I have been a Mason long enough to have formed well-defined opinions of our Order and to have conceived a sincere affection for the Brotherhood. It is with sentiments of veneration that I look upon the long line of worthies, patriots, statesmen, and men who have been identified with Masonry, and who, in the past, have upheld its banner in the Colony and the State of Massachusetts; and such is my feeling for our venerable Brethren who stand at the helm to direct our course so wisely and so well. That long line of worthies reaches from 1733 to 1893, from the first of Grapes Tavern to Masonic Temple; and some of our honored Brethren are with us here to-night. The Grand Masters now living are strong and shining links in the golden chain. Each did his duty cheerfully and well, and each is held in high esteem by the Masons of Massachusetts. We who are younger may see in them examples worthy of imitation. Under the guidance of the Worshipful Grand Master, whom we have installed to-day, you may rest assured that the standard of the Order is held as high as by the Brethren who have filled the place before him.

Brethren, before I close, let me congratulate you upon the prosperity of our Order, upon the peace that reigns within our borders; upon the prospect of continued growth under this new administration, and upon the successful celebration of this Feast of St. John the Evan-



# THE GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejection for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master Diplomas.
Saint John's . . . .	3	5	5		3				8	8		259	5	
Lodge of St. Andrew . . . .	9	8	8		1				4	6		20	13	1
Massachusetts . . . .	15	17	25	2	1	4		3	4	13		161	22	1
Columbian . . . .	9	11	11	1		4		2	13	25		349	11	1
Mount Lebanon . . . .	17	20	20	2				1	10	11		278	20	1
Germania . . . .	3	3	2				1	2	6	20		175	1	1
Winslow Lewis . . . .	16	19	19	1		5		2	3	11		92	19	1
Revere . . . .	22	21	21	1		1		3	8	20	2	395	21	
Joseph Warren . . . .	93	104	111	7	5	14	1	13	57	135	2	1,965	112	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: E. BENTLEY YOUNG, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

## Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

HENRY H. KENDALL,	MARCUS TISHLER,	WILLIAM WHITE,	Gus G. R. STANWOOD,
		DANIEL J. STRAIN.	

## SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Almsbury.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodges.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
King Solomon's . . . .	11	11	12	2	7	8		1	5	13		187	12	
Amicable . . . . .	6	6	6	4				1	4	7		238	7	
Putnam . . . . .	5	5	6	2				3	3	8	1	144	6	1
Aberdonr . . . . .	17	16	16	4				1	3	22		135	16	
Mount Olivet . . . .	8	8	8	2		2		5	1	8		143	8	1
Lodge of Eleusis . . .	2	1	1					1	2	4		73		
Mizpah . . . . .	12	12	12			1		10	1	12		159	12	
Zetland . . . . .	9	10	10					5	5	12		188		
Joseph Webb . . . .	13	16	16	1				1	3	17		198	16	1
	83	85	87	15	7	11		28	27	103	1	1,465	77	3

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Attest:

FRANK VOSE, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been granted.

FRANK E. SHAW,

WALTER C. WARDWELL,

JOHN H. WOODMAN.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	* No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masons.	No. Limited.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Masters' Diplomas.
Star of Bethlehem . . .	21	19	17	7	2			1	3	19	1	267	16	
Mount Tabor . . .	32	34	34	3				1	7	41	1	328	39	
Baalbec . . .	51	50	47	3				1	3	49		339	47	
Henry Price . . .	18	20	21	1	2			3	6	28		249	21	
Hammatt . . .	19	19	18		19			2	2	18		149	18	
Robert Lash . . .	13	17	21	2				1	2	21		161	21	
Faith . . .	6	6	7					1	1	7		157	7	
Temple . . .	17	16	15	1	4			2	2	18		193	16	
Winthrop . . .	11	12	11	4				1	2	14		101	11	
	188	193	191	21	27			13	28	215	2	1,944	196	

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Attest:

JOHN STALKER, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.



## FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership	No. Discharged from Membership	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Installed.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomata.	No. Past Master's Diplomata.
Washington . . . . .	30	28	28	2				2	5	34		311	28	1
Union . . . . .	11	12	16	5	1	6		18	5	27		249	16	1
Saint Paul's . . . . .	4	4	5	2				4	6	6		245	5	1
Gate of the Temple . . . . .	11	9	9	1				1	2	11		212	9	1
Lafayette . . . . .	11	11	11	2	1			1	2	17		139	11	1
Adelphi . . . . .	14	12	12	2				1	3	12		162	12	1
Eliot . . . . .	12	12	9	2		1		2	1	11		129	9	1
Rabboni . . . . .	3	3	2		1			5	2	2	1	96	2	1
Prospect . . . . .	8	7	7						2	8		39	7	
Macedonian . . . . .												63	23	
	104	98	99	16	3	7		33	28	128	1	1,645	122	7

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Attest: \* HENRY B. CHANDLER, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomata have been Granted.

ALBERT E. CABER,	ARTHUR H. LITTLEFIELD,	EMERSON H. NYE,	CHARLES F. KELLY,
DANIEL F. HOLMES.	EDGAR E. GRAY.		



NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Ratified.	No. of Rejection for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Membership.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomates.	No. Past Master's Diplomates.
Bethesda . . . . .	8	8	8	1				1	2	9	2	128	8	1
Monitor . . . . .	16	14	17	1	1			4	2	18		204	17	
Pequossette . . . . .	8	8	8					2		9		153	8	1
Dalhousie . . . . .	20	19	19	3	3			3	3	26		253	19	1
Belmont . . . . .	6	4	4					1	1	5	1	78	4	1
Isaac Parker . . . . .	12	12	12	3				2		13	1	162	12	
Beth-horon . . . . .	11	13	13	1		2		3	4	15		117	13	
	81	78	81	9	4	2		16	12	95	4	1,095	81	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

HERBERT H. SAWYER, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

HAMMOND B. HAZELWOOD, ROBERT BENNETT, BENJAMIN W. BROWN, CHARLES H. HOULAHAN.

## SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomata.	No. Past Master's Diplomata.
Hiram . . . . .	4	4	4	1	1	1		4		6		119	4	1
Mount Hermon . . . . .	8	8	12	1					1	13		168	12	1
Mount Horeb . . . . .	3	4	4		1			3	7	6	2	162	4	
John Abbot . . . . .	34	36	31	3	2			4	5	36	1	299	31	
William Parkman . . . . .	12	16	16					2	2	23		140	15	1
Charity . . . . .	11	11	11		2			1	2	15	1	89	11	1
Simon W. Robinson . . . . .	3	4	7	2				1	3	7		73	7	1
Soley . . . . .	42	38	39					1	2	44		292	39	
	117	121	124	7	6	1		16	22	150	4	1,342	123	5

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Attest:

THOMAS M. DURELL, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomata have been Granted.

OSMON D. BAKER,

JOHN H. WINCHENBACH,

GEORGE C. GOODWIN,

EDWARD H. CUTLER.

J. GILMAN WAITE,

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejection for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Membership.	No. Dismissed.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge's Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Mount Carmel . . .	19	24	21	8	9			5	2	26	2	259	18	
Wyoming . . .	11	11	11						2	12		210	11	
Mount Vernon . . .	14	13	13	2					2	23		286	13	
Golden Fleece . . .	16	16	13	8					1	1	1	226	16	1
William Sutton . . .	6	5	3			1		1	2	6		96	3	1
Palestine . . .	7	7	7	5	1				2	7		124	7	1
Good Samaritan . . .	13	13	13	1				1		16		89	14	
King Cyrus . . .	8	8	8						1	8		97	8	1
Converse . . .	11	11	11	3	1			3	2	13		227	11	1
Golden Rule . . .	10	9	8	1	1			3	3	9		133	8	
	115	117	108	28	12	1		13	16	121	3	1,747	109	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

WILLIAM F. CHESTER, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

WILLIAM H. BRIGGS,

FRED. C. NEWHALL,

ROBERT E. RAMSDELL,

ARTHUR W. WALKER.

THOMAS MILLIGAN,

## EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Failed.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Philanthropic . . . . .	12	14	11	2	1			1	3	11		92	11	1
Essex . . . . .	9	9	10	2	1			3	1	14		119	10	1
Jordan . . . . .	4	5	3	1				1	1	4		177	8	1
Liberty . . . . .	17	19	21		1	1		2	3	22		168	21	
Amity . . . . .	6	6	5		5			1	1	6	1	162	5	1
Star King . . . . .	5	7	7	4				1	1	8		152	7	1
Acacia . . . . .	7	5	3	5				2	2	4		108	4	1
Mosaic . . . . .	8	8	5	1				1		5		93	5	1
	68	73	65	15	8	1		8	11	74	1	1,071	66	6

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

WILLIAM D. T. TREFFY, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

A. SIMPSON LYLE,

CHARLES W. HOOD,

JOHN M. RAYMOND,

EERRY W. MYERS,

JOSEPH DARLING.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Ratified.	No. of Applications for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Disfranchised from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Limited.	No. Increased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomates.	No. Past Master's Diplomates.
Saint John's . . . . .	4	4	5	1				1	1	7		166	5	1
Tyrian . . . . .	17	19	18	8				2	4	21		807	15	1
Saint Mark's . . . . .	8	8	8		2			2	3	8		108	9	1
Warren . . . . .	12	12	11	4	3				1	11		177	11	1
Ashler . . . . .	2	4	4					2	1	4		135	4	1
John T. Heard . . . . .	5	5	5	1	1			3	5	5		76	5	
Charles C. Dame . . . . .	3	3	4					1	2	5		127	4	
Bethany . . . . .	8	9	10	1				1	1	10		113	10	1
	59	64	65	15	6			12	13	71	2	1,109	63	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest :

(GREEN DAVIS, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

EDGAR KNOWLTON,                      EMMONS H. BARR,                      JOSEPH H. ROWE,                      DANIEL J. POORE,  
CHARLES W. KNOWLES.

## TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Merrimack . . . . .	25	23	23	12	2			4	5	24		297	23	1
Saint Matthew's . . . . .	14	14	14	3				4		15		127		
Grecian . . . . .	12	17	16	13				1	3	17	3	289	16	1
John Hancock . . . . .	3	5	6		2			1	1	5		138	2	1
Tuscan . . . . .	7	7	6	2				4	3	9	1	193	8	
Sagadahew . . . . .	19	19	18	5		1		1	4	19		225	18	
Phœnician . . . . .	10	7	6		2			2	2	7		111	6	
Cochichewick . . . . .	3	3	3					2	1	4		87	3	1
	93	95	91	37	6	1		19	19	100	4	1,467	76	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

EDWARD A. FITTS, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been granted.

EDWARD F. HARTWELL,

FRANK P. STEVENS,

FRANK TISDALE,

TENNEY MORSE.



NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Refections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomata.	No. Past Master's Diplomata.
Saint Paul . . . . .	3	3	3	1	1				2	5		86	3	1
Corinthian . . . . .	14	14	14		3			2	2	14		74	14	
Pentucket . . . . .	8	10	12	7	10			1	17	13		413	11	1
Ancient York . . . . .	4	4	2	1	2			1	8	6		240	2	1
Caleb Butler . . . . .	6	6	5					2	2	5		106	5	1
Kilwinning . . . . .	7	7	6	2					4	7		133	6	
William North . . . . .	8	10	9	5	5	2		1	3	10	1	321	9	1
Thomas Talbot . . . . .	6	6	4							4		46	4	1
	56	60	55	16	21	2		7	38	64	1	1,419	54	6

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest :

FRANK L. WEAVER, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

JOHN C. FRAZER,	OLIVER K. FIERCE,	CHARLES H. GOULD,
FRANK W. EMBESON,	HIRAM C. BROWN,	HARRY K. BOARDMAN.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dismitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Installed.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Masters' Diplomas.
Aurora . . . . .	22	22	23	5				2	2	24		182	23	1
Trinity . . . . .	9	9	10	3				1	1	11		171	10	1
Wilder . . . . .	7	8	7	2	2			2	1	11		133	7	
Hope . . . . .	2	2	2	1				2		3		156	3	
Star . . . . .	9	13	13	3				1	1	21		162	13	
Charles W. Moore . . . . .	14	14	9	3	1			1	1	10		147	8	
Artisan . . . . .	2	1	2					1		2		72	3	1
Athol . . . . .	9	9	8	1					1	10		128	8	
	74	78	74	18	3			10	8	92		1,151	75	3

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: GEO. H. FOYE, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been granted.

SAMUEL W. SAWYER, LEONARD H. PARKER, FRANK M. COLLESTER.



NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomats.	No. Past Masters' Diplomats.
Republican . . . . .	3	3	3	2				2	4	9	1	216	4	1
Harmony . . . . .	3	3	3					1	1	3		64	4	1
Jerusalem . . . . .	11	11	10	7	2			3	1	11	3	255	12	1
Pacific . . . . .	1	1	1		10			4	1	4		85	3	1
Mountain . . . . .	2	2	2							3		70	3	1
Orange . . . . .	13	14	11	4				4	4	11		285	12	1
Morning Sun . . . . .	4	4	7					1	2	7		99		
Hampshire . . . . .	2	1	1					3	2	1		80	1	
Bay State . . . . .	7	7	7	1.				3	2	7		86	7	
Mechanics' . . . . .	6	5	5	1				2	2	5		98		
	52	51	50	15	12			22	16	61	4	1,338	39	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

DAVID T. REMINGTON, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

FREDERICK C. BATCHELDER, ROLLIN C. WARD, GEORGE E. FISHER, FRANK K. MANTON, GEORGE D. ELDRIDGE,

## FOURTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomans.	No. Past Master's Diplomans.
Lafayette . . . . .	4	4	5	2					1	6		144	5	1
Berkshire . . . . .	1	1		1						6		112		1
Upton . . . . .								1	2	11		34	15	
Greylock . . . . .	12	11	11		1			2		6		123	5	
Williams . . . . .	6	6	7									41		
	23	22	23	3	1			3	3	29		454	25	2

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

FRED. E. WHITE, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomans have been granted.

ARTHUR B. DANIELS,

R. V. WOOD.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Raised.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dinitiated.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Evening Star . . . . .	3	3	3	7				3	2	4	1	136	3	1
Cincinnatus . . . . .	4	4	7	1				2	1	8	1	131	7	1
Wisdom . . . . .	5	5	5					2	1	5		42	5	
Mystic . . . . .	17	15	15	3				1	1	18	1	191	16	1
Huntington . . . . .	2	6	6			2		2	3	6		119	6	
Globe . . . . .	5	5	5			2		2		5	1	67	6	1
Occidental . . . . .	4	4	3	2				1	1	5	2	40	7	
Crescent . . . . .	11	12	9					1		9		109	12	1
	51	54	53	13		2		11	8	63	5	835	62	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

MILES T. HUNTINGTON, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

FRANK W. ADAMS,

JULIUS E. MEECE,

HARLAN H. BALLARD,

FREEMAN M. MILLER.

WILLIAM G. CLIFFORD,

## SIXTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degree.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomats.	No. Past Master's Diplomats.
Hampden . . . . .	34	33	24	2	6	1		9	4	80	5	429	24	1
Chicopee . . . . .	4	4	5					4	5	5		186	5	
Mount Tom . . . . .	7	9	9	9				1	4	10	2	330	8	1
Mount Moriah . . . . .	8	7	11	3	3			8	4	13		264	11	1
Roswell Lee . . . . .	38	38	34	9	4			8	5	44	2	489	34	1
Ionic . . . . .	6	6	6	2				1	5	7		126	6	
Mount Holyoke . . . . .	7	7	7	5	4			3		9	1	98	7	1
Belcher . . . . .	3	5	7					1	2	9		105	7	
Newton . . . . .	1	1	1					2		1		54	1	1
Brigham . . . . .	11	10	9	1						14		61	9	1
	119	120	113	31	17	1		23	29	142	10	2,092	112	7

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

JOHN E. BRONSON, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

HENRIE A. PROUTY, JARVIS U. WOODS, BENJAMIN C. HARVEY,  
 FRED M. SMITH, JAMES STEPHENS, ALBERT H. HALFORD.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Perfections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Limited.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diploma.	No. Past Master's Diploma.
Thomas . . . . .	3	2	2					3	2	4	1	142	1	1
Mount Zion . . . . .	3	4	4						2	4		116	4	
Bethel . . . . .	7	6	6					1	2	7		74		
Quabong . . . . .	4	2	2					2	3	2		134	2	1
Day Spring . . . . .	2	2	2		1			1	3	3		77	1	1
Eden . . . . .	2	3	3	1	20			3	3	4		130	3	
Vernon . . . . .	2	3	3					1	1	8		70	4	1
	23	22	22	1	21			11	11	27	1	743	13	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

LOVELL L. GAGE, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

CHARLES T. BRAINARD,      WILLIAM H. HITCHCOCK,      RALPH F. BRADWAY,      WILLIAM S. CLARK.

## EIGHTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Masters' Diplomas.
Morning Star . . . .	10	9	9	7		4		2	4	10	1	847	9	1
Olive Branch . . . .	6	8	6					3	3	6	1	118	6	
Montacute . . . .	8	8	8	4				2	7	8		374	8	
Hayden . . . .	1	1	1	4				2	2	2		121	2	1
Athelstan . . . .	14	7	8	3	10			6	6	11	3	908	8	1
Spencer . . . .	3	2	3	2				1	1	4		101	3	
Quinsigamond . . . .	5	5	4	6				1	2	7		127	4	1
Boylston . . . .	2	3	3					1	1	1		50		1
	49	43	43	26	10	4		11	26	49	5	1,546	40	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

F. W. SOUTHWICK, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

AUGUSTUS S. WINTER,

ISAAC N. DUKE,

SUMNER HOLMES, ANTHEAS C. SMITH.

CYRUS STICKNEY,

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dismitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Oxford . . . . .	2	2	2					1	3	2		70	2	
Solomon's Temple . . . . .	3	3	3					2	2	3		93	3	
Blackstone River . . . . .	4	4	4		11			1	1	4	1	92	4	
Quinebaug . . . . .	10	10	11	3				1	1	11	1	148	11	1
Webster . . . . .	2	1	1	1				1	2	1		78		1
Mumford River . . . . .				1								53		1
Granite . . . . .	5	5	5	6		1				5		90	5	
	26	25	26	11	11	1		5	8	26	2	624	25	3

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: LESTER H. CUDWORTH, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

SAMUEL S. SILVA,

GEORGE A. BLACKMAN,

BENJAMIN TOWNLEY.



## TWENTIETH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dinitiated.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Montgomery	9	10	9	4	1				3	11	2	250	5	1
Franklin	3	3	3	1	4				2	3		90	3	1
John Warren	5	4	6	2				1	2	6		98	6	1
North Star	6	6	4					1	2	6		76	4	
Mount Hollis	13	13	13					1		14		91	13	
Siloam	2	2	3					1	1	3		128	3	1
Excelsior	7	6	6					2	2	8		110	6	1
Charles River	2	2	2					1		6		75	2	1
	47	46	46	7	5			7	10	57	2	918	42	6

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

JOHN H. BALCOM, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

FRED. P. CHAPMAN,

FRANK W. PATTEN,

SAMUEL A. TYLER,

LOENDER C. EMERSON,

HERBERT A. GREERLEY.



NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Membership.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge's Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Middlesex . . . . .	7	7	6	2				1		6		76	4	1
Meridian . . . . .	10	10	8	2		1		5	5	9		274	8	
United Brethren . . . . .	7	8	8	1				2	3	12		213	8	1
Doric . . . . .	7	7	7	1				1	3	9		185	7	1
Saint Bernard's . . . . .	2	2	1	1		1		2	2	1		51	1	1
Charles A. Welch . . . . .	5	5	1	1				2	2	3		113	1	
Norfolk . . . . .	6	7	7	1				2	2	7		64	7	
Alpha . . . . .	6	11	11	1	2			2	3	10		119	11	
	50	57	49	10	2	2		13	17	57		1,095	47	3

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

LEWIS M. PALMER, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been granted.

HENRY B. WHITCOMB,

WILLIAM NICHOLSON,

PAUL S. LINCOLN.

TWENTY-SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dismitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Rising Star . . . . .	4	4	4	1	3			1	1	6		96	4	1
Saint Alban's . . . . .	4	2	2	4				2	1	3		110	1	
Orient . . . . .	9	10	7	2				1	3	7		159	7	
Blue Hill . . . . .	2	2	2					2	2	2		100	2	
Saint James . . . . .	3	3	3	5				3	3	4		103	3	
Hyde Park . . . . .	10	12	12					2	3	14		178	12	1
Paul Dean . . . . .				1								106		
Constellation . . . . .	14	14	14	2		3		3	1	14		122	14	
	46	47	44	15	3	3		14	11	50		974	48	2

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

FRANCIS D. DUNBAR, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

CHARLES E. MARTIN,

ASA J. ADAMS.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodges.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Bristol . . . . .	10	10	8	2					2	8		128	7	1
King David . . . . .	6	6	6	6	1			1	4	6		277	6	
Pioneer . . . . .	9	9	9						9	9		107	9	1
May Flower . . . . .	7	7	7	7				3	2	8		110	7	
Alfred Baylies . . . . .	7	8	7		5				6	7		105	7	1
Ionic . . . . .	3	3	4					1				124	4	
Ezekiel Bates . . . . .	2	2	2	1					2	5		121	2	1
Charles H. Titus . . . . .	4	2	2							2		75	2	
	48	47	45	15	6			5	16	49		1,047	44	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

EDWARD R. PRICE, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

ALFRED L. LINCOLN,

OWEN B. BESTOR,

WALTER T. MASON,

WALTER T. DEANE.

TWENTY-FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degree.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Fellowship . . . . .	8	8	7	2	3			3	5	9		157	7	1
Rural . . . . .	7	9	8	3				7	2	12		201	8	
Norfolk Union . . . . .	1	2	2					1	1	2		76	3	1
Paul Revere . . . . .	23	20	21	9	1			1	8	25		341	21	1
John Cutler . . . . .	4	2	2	2		1		2	2	2		127	2	
Puritan . . . . .	3	2	1	1	2			1	1	4		130	4	1
Saint George . . . . .	20	19	21	9				3	1	22		146	21	
Satucket . . . . .	6	6	12	1						13		86	12	
	72	68	74	27	6	1		17	19	89		1,264	78	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

HERBERT L. MITCHELL, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

HENRY L. CRANE,

EMMONS WHITE,

ALBION H. HOWE,

JOSEPH D. BENSON.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dismissed.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Old Colony . . . . .	7	7	5					1	2	4		110	5	1
Corner-Stone . . . . .	2	2	2					4		1		68	2	1
Orphan's Hope . . . . .	4	6	6						4	6	1	168	5	1
Plymouth . . . . .	6	6	3	1				2	2	8	2	131	3	
Konohassett . . . . .	7	8	8	1	1					10		85	8	1
Delta . . . . .	6	4	4						1	4		84	6	1
Phoenix . . . . .	3	3	4	4				2	1	4		64	4	1
Satuit . . . . .	2	2	2	2						2	1	32	2	
	37	38	34	8	1			9	10	39	4	742	35	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

CHARLES T. BURR, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Attest: .

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

WILLIAM W. MYRICK,	HERBERT A. NEWTON,	EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
FRANK H. MASON,		THOMAS BARSTOW.

TWENTY-SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Refections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Star in the East . . .	15	16	16	4				2	3	16	1	871	8	
Mount Hope . . .	9	9	8	4				1	4	9	8	301	8	
Eureka . . .	13	17	16	5					4	18	1	229	14	
King Philip . . .	19	17	17	8	1			3	2	20	1	310	17	1
Concordia . . .	6	6	6	1	2			1		6		87	6	
Narragansett . . .	9	11	10	17					2	10		194	9	1
Noquochoke . . .	2	2	2	1						3		50	2	1
	73	78	75	40	3			7	20	81	3	1,542	63	3

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:                      **FREDERICK A. BRADFORD, District Deputy Grand Master.**

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

JOHN T. BURRELL,

JAMES ALLEN, 2d,

FRANK A. PEASE.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Union . . . . .	2	1	1					1	1	1		111	1	1
Marine . . . . .	5	5	5	1				2	1	5		86	4	
Social Harmony . . . . .	1	1	1	1					1	1		71		
De Witt Clinton . . . . .				1				2			1	56		1
Martha's Vineyard . . . . .	3	2	2					1		5	1	57	2	
Pythagorean . . . . .	5	4	4					1		7	1	66	1	1
Oriental . . . . .	1	1			3			2	2	1		46		
	17	14	13	3	3			9	5	20	2	493	8	3

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

JOHN HUXTABLE, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

FRANK B. COGGESHALL,

ALBERT G. BROCK,

FRANCIS W. HOLWAY.



TWENTY-EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodges Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
King Hiram	5	5	5	1				2	3	7		162	5	
Fraternal	4	3	3	5					2	8		152	2	1
Mount Horeb	1	1	4		5				2	4		101		
Pilgrim	1	1	1		4							86	1	
Adams	2	1	1					3	2	2		115	1	1
Howard	1	1	2						4	3		50	1	1
Mariners'	1	1	3	1						3		59	3	1
Saint Martin's	4	4	4		1					4		57	3	
	19	17	23	7	10			5	13	35		782	16	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

OLIVER H. LINNELL, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

WILLIAM H. TURMAN,

GUSTAVUS C. NICKERSON,

EDWARD L. CHASE,

WILLIAM N. STETSON.



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DISTRICTS.															
District No.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Reflections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dinitiated.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas Issued.	No. Past Master's Diplomas Issued.	
1.	94	104	111	7	5	14	1	13	57	135	2	1,965	112	5	
" 2.	83	87	85	15	7	11		28	27	103	1	1,465	77	3	
" 3.	188	193	191	21	27			13	28	215		1,944	196		
" 4.	104	98	99	16	3	7		33	28	128	1	1,645	122	7	
" 5.	81	78	81	9	4	2		16	12	95	4	1,095	81	4	
" 6.	117	121	124	7	6	1		16	22	150	4	1,342	123	5	
" 7.	115	117	108	28	12	1		13	16	121	3	1,747	109	5	
" 8.	68	73	65	15	8	1		8	11	74	1	1,071	66	6	
" 9.	59	64	65	15	6			12	13	71	2	1,109	63	5	
" 10.	93	95	91	37	6	1		19	19	100	4	1,467	76	4	
" 11.	56	60	55	16	21	2		7	38	64	1	1,419	54	6	
" 12.	74	78	74	18	3			10	8	92		1,151	75	8	
" 13.	52	51	50	15	12			22	16	21	4	1,338	39	5	
" 14.	23	22	23	3	1			3	3	29		454	25	2	
" 15.	51	54	53	13		2		11	8	63	5	835	62	5	
" 16.	119	120	113	31	17	1		23	29	142	10	2,092	112	7	
" 17.	23	22	22	1	21			11	11	27	1	743	13	4	
Carried forward.		1,400	1,425	1,412	267	159	43	1	258	346	1,630	43	22,882	1,405	76

RECAPITULATION. — *Concluded.*

DISTRICTS.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas Issued.	No. Past Master's Diplomas Issued.
<i>Brought forward.</i>	1,400	1,425	1,412	267	159	43	1	258	346	1,630	43	22,882	1,405	76
District No. 18.	49	43	43	26	10	4		11	26	49	5	1,546	40	5
" " 19.	26	25	26	11	11	1		5	8	26	2	624	25	3
" " 20.	47	46	46	7	5			7	10	57	2	918	42	
" " 21.	50	57	49	10	2	2		13	17	57		1,095	47	3
" " 22.	46	47	44	15	3	3		14	11	50		974	43	2
" " 23.	48	47	45	15	6			5	16	49		1,074	44	4
" " 24.	72	68	74	27	6	1		17	19	89		1,264	78	4
" " 25.	37	38	34	8	1			9	10	39	4	742	35	5
" " 26.	73	78	75	40	3	3		7	20	81	3	1,542	63	3
" " 27.	17	14	13	3	3			9	5	20	2	493	8	3
" " 28.	19	17	23	7	10			5	13	35		782	16	4
Total.	1,884	1,905	1,884	436	219	54	1	360	501	2,182	61	33,936	1,846	112

## TABLES OF MASONIC DISTRICTS FOR 1894,

THE NAME OF EACH LODGE, DATE OF PRECEDENCE, LOCATION  
AND THE MONTH OF ANNUAL ELECTION.

## DISTRICT NO. I. — BOSTON.

W. E. BENTLEY YOUNG, BOSTON, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
JOHN'S . . .	1733 . .	Boston . . . .	December
E OF SAINT AN-			
W . . . .	1756 . .	Boston . . . .	November
CHUSETTS . . .	1770 . .	Boston . . . .	December
UBIAN . . . .	1795 . .	Boston . . . .	December
T LEBANON . . .	1801 . .	Boston . . . .	December
ANIA . . . .	1854 . .	Boston . . . .	November
OW LEWIS . . .	1855 . .	Boston . . . .	November
E . . . .	1856 . .	Boston . . . .	December
H WARREN . . .	1856 . .	Boston . . . .	December

## DISTRICT NO. II. — CAMBRIDGE.

W. EUGENE C. UPTON, BOSTON, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
SOLOMON'S . . .	1783 . .	Charlestown . . .	October
BLE . . . .	1805 . .	Cambridge . . . .	December
M . . . .	1854 . .	East Cambridge . .	November
OUR . . . .	1860 . .	Boston . . . .	November
T OLIVET . . .	1863 . .	Cambridge . . . .	November
OF ELEUSIS . . .	1865 . .	Boston . . . .	December
H . . . .	1867 . .	Cambridge . . . .	December
ND . . . .	1867 . .	Boston . . . .	December
I WEBB . . . .	1876 . .	Boston . . . .	November

## DISTRICT NO. III.—EAST BOSTON.

R.W. JOSEPH H. GLEASON, WOBURN, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
STAR OF BETHLEHEM . . . .	1843 . . . .	Chelsea . . . .	November
MOUNT TABOR . . . .	1845 . . . .	East Boston . . . .	November
BAALBEC . . . .	1852 . . . .	East Boston . . . .	November
HENRY PRICE . . . .	1858 . . . .	Charlestown . . . .	October
HAMMATT . . . .	1859 . . . .	East Boston . . . .	October
ROBERT LASH . . . .	1867 . . . .	Chelsea . . . .	November
FAITH . . . .	1868 . . . .	Charlestown . . . .	December
TEMPLE . . . .	1870 . . . .	East Boston . . . .	December
WINTHROP . . . .	1887 . . . .	Winthrop . . . .	October

## DISTRICT NO. IV.—SOUTH BOSTON.

R.W. HENRY B. CHANDLER, SOUTH BOSTON,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
WASHINGTON . . . .	1796 . . . .	Roxbury . . . .	November
UNION . . . .	1796 . . . .	Dorchester . . . .	November
SAINT PAUL'S . . . .	1846 . . . .	South Boston . . . .	December
GATE OF THE TEMPLE . . . .	1855 . . . .	South Boston . . . .	November
LA FAYETTE . . . .	1865 . . . .	Roxbury . . . .	June
ADELPHI . . . .	1865 . . . .	South Boston . . . .	November
ELIOT . . . .	1866 . . . .	Jamaica Plain . . . .	November
RABBONI . . . .	1869 . . . .	South Boston . . . .	October
PROSPECT . . . .	1890 . . . .	Roslindale . . . .	November
MACEDONIAN . . . .	1892 . . . .	Milton . . . .	October

## DISTRICT NO. V.—WALTHAM.

R.W. LEWIS M. CRANE, BROOKLINE, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
BETHESDA . . . .	1819 . . . .	Brighton . . . .	December
MONITOR . . . .	1820 . . . .	Waltham . . . .	November
PEQUOSSETTE . . . .	1856 . . . .	Watertown . . . .	December
DALHOUSIE . . . .	1860 . . . .	Newtonville . . . .	June
BELMONT . . . .	1864 . . . .	Belmont . . . .	December
ISAAC PARKER . . . .	1867 . . . .	Waltham . . . .	November
BETH-HORON . . . .	1870 . . . .	Brookline . . . .	December

## DISTRICT No. VI. — SOMERVILLE.

THOMAS M. DURELL, SOMERVILLE, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
. . . . .	1797 . .	Arlington . . . .	November
T HERMON . . . .	1854 . .	Medford . . . .	December
T HOREB . . . .	1855 . .	Woburn . . . .	December
ABBOT . . . .	1857 . .	Somerville . . . .	September
AM PARKMAN . . .	1864 . .	Winchester . . . .	December
TY . . . .	1869 . .	North Cambridge	December
W. ROBINSON . . .	1870 . .	Lexington . . . .	November
. . . . .	1879 . .	Somerville . . . .	September

## DISTRICT No. VII. — LYNN.

W. JOSIAH F. KIMBALL, LYNN, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
T CARMEL . . . .	1805 . .	Lynn . . . .	November
ING . . . .	1856 . .	Melrose . . . .	September
T VERNON . . . .	1857 . .	Malden . . . .	November
N FLEECE . . . .	1865 . .	Lynn . . . .	November
AM SUTTON . . . .	1866 . .	Saugus . . . .	November
TINE . . . .	1868 . .	Everett . . . .	November
SAMARITAN . . . .	1870 . .	Reading . . . .	December
YRUS . . . .	1875 . .	Stoneham . . . .	October
RSE . . . .	1887 . .	Malden . . . .	December
N RULE . . . .	1888 . .	Wakefield . . . .	December

## DISTRICT No. VIII. — SALEM.

CHAUNCEY S. RICHARDS, DANVERSPORT,  
D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
THROPIC . . . .	1760 . .	Marblehead . . . .	October
. . . . .	1791 . .	Salem . . . .	October
N . . . .	1808 . .	Peabody . . . .	September
Y . . . .	1824 . .	Beverly . . . .	October
. . . . .	1863 . .	Danvers . . . .	November
KING . . . .	1864 . .	Salem . . . .	October
. . . . .	1865 . .	East Gloucester	November
. . . . .	1870 . .	Danvers . . . .	November



## DISTRICT No. IX. — NEWBURYPORT.

R.W. ISAAC A. S. STEELE, GLOUCESTER, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
SAINT JOHN'S . . . .	1766 . .	Newburyport . .	March
TYRIAN . . . . .	1770 . .	Gloucester . . .	Novemb
SAINT MARK'S . . . .	1803 . .	Newburyport . .	Decemb
WARREN . . . . .	1822 . .	Amesbury . . . .	Novemb
ASHLER . . . . .	1851 . .	Rockport . . . .	Decemb
JOHN T. HEARD . . . .	1864 . .	Ipswich . . . . .	October
CHARLES C. DAME . . .	1867 . .	Georgetown . . .	January
BETHANY . . . . .	1868 . .	Merrimac . . . .	Septemb

## DISTRICT No. X. — LAWRENCE.

R.W. CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD, LAWRENCE,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
MERRIMACK . . . . .	1802 . .	Haverhill . . . .	Novemb
SAINT MATTHEW'S . . .	1822 . .	Andover . . . . .	Novemb
GRECIAN . . . . .	1825 . .	Lawrence . . . .	October
JOHN HANCOCK . . . .	1860 . .	Methuen . . . . .	Septemb
TUSCAN . . . . .	1862 . .	Lawrence . . . .	Decemb
SAGGAHEW . . . . .	1864 . .	Haverhill . . . .	Decemb
PHOENICIAN . . . . .	1870 . .	Lawrence . . . .	Decemb
COCHICHEWICK . . . .	1874 . .	North Andover . .	Novemb

## DISTRICT No. XI. — LOWELL.

R.W. FRANK L. WEAVER, LOWELL, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
SAINT PAUL . . . . .	1797 . .	Ayer . . . . .	October
CORINTHIAN . . . . .	1797 . .	Concord . . . . .	October
PENTUCKET . . . . .	1807 . .	Lowell . . . . .	October
ANCIENT YORK . . . .	1852 . .	Lowell . . . . .	October
CALEB BUTLER . . . .	1859 . .	Ayer . . . . .	Decemb
KILWINNING . . . . .	1866 . .	Lowell . . . . .	Novemb
WILLIAM NORTH . . . .	1867 . .	Lowell . . . . .	Octobe
THOMAS TALBOT . . . .	1889 . .	Billerica . . . . .	Octobe

## DISTRICT No. XII.—FITCHBURG.

R.W. SIDNEY P. SMITH, ATHOL, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
RA . . . . .	1801 . . .	Fitchburg . . .	September
TY . . . . .	1858 . . .	Clinton . . . .	September
ER . . . . .	1859 . . .	Leominster . . .	September
. . . . .	1864 . . .	Gardner . . . .	October
. . . . .	1864 . . .	Athol . . . . .	November
LES W. MOORE .	1865 . . .	Fitchburg . . . .	September
AN . . . . .	1865 . . .	Winchendon . . .	September
L . . . . .	1872 . . .	Athol Centre . . .	November

## DISTRICT No. XIII.—GREENFIELD.

W. DAVID T. REMINGTON, NORTHAMPTON,  
D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
LICAN . . . . .	1795 . . .	Greenfield . . . .	November
ONY . . . . .	1796 . . .	Northfield . . . .	November
ALEM . . . . .	1797 . . .	Northampton . . .	November
C . . . . .	1801 . . .	Amherst . . . . .	November
AIN . . . . .	1806 . . .	Shelburne Falls . .	October
E . . . . .	1859 . . .	Orange . . . . .	November
NG SUN . . . .	1869 . . .	Conway . . . . .	November
SHIRE . . . . .	1871 . . .	Haydenville . . . .	November
TATE . . . . .	1872 . . .	Montague . . . . .	October
ANICS' . . . . .	1878 . . .	Turner's Falls . . .	November

## DISTRICT No. XIV.—NORTH ADAMS.

FRED E. WHITE, NORTH ADAMS, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
YETTE . . . . .	1847 . . .	North Adams . . .	December
SHIRE . . . . .	1857 . . .	Adams . . . . .	December
. . . . .	1869 . . .	Cheshire . . . . .	November
OCK . . . . .	1871 . . .	North Adams . . .	November
AMS . . . . .	1871 . . .	Williamstown . . .	December

## DISTRICT No. XV.—PITTSFIELD.

R.W. JOHN P. MERRILL, PITTSFIELD, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
EVENING STAR . . .	1795 . .	Lee . . . . .	September
CINCINNATUS . . .	1795 . .	Great Barrington	December
WISDOM . . . . .	1803 . .	West Stockbridge	December
MYSTIC . . . . .	1810 . .	Pittsfield . . . .	October
HUNTINGTON . . .	1866 . .	Huntington . . . .	October
GLOBE . . . . .	1869 . .	Hinsdale . . . . .	October
OCCIDENTAL . . . .	1870 . .	Stockbridge . . . .	December
CRESCENT . . . . .	1873 . .	Pittsfield . . . . .	September

## DISTRICT No. XVI.—SPRINGFIELD.

R.W. EDWARD P. CHAPIN, SPRINGFIELD, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
HAMPDEN . . . . .	1817 . .	Springfield . . . .	November
CHICOPEE . . . . .	1848 . .	Chicopee . . . . .	November
MOUNT TOM . . . .	1850 . .	Holyoke . . . . .	November
MOUNT MORIAH . . .	1856 . .	Westfield . . . . .	September
ROSWELL LEE . . . .	1864 . .	Springfield . . . .	November
IONIC . . . . .	1867 . .	Easthampton . . . .	November
MOUNT HOLYOKE . . .	1869 . .	South Hadley Falls	November
BELCHER . . . . .	1870 . .	Chicopee Falls . . .	October
NEWTON . . . . .	1870 . .	Wilbraham . . . . .	November
BRIGHAM . . . . .	1891 . .	Ludlow . . . . .	September

## DISTRICT No. XVII.—PALMER.

R.W. LOVELL L. GAGE, WARREN, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
THOMAS . . . . .	1796 . .	Palmer . . . . .	December
MOUNT ZION . . . .	1800 . .	Barre . . . . .	September
BETHEL . . . . .	1825 . .	Enfield . . . . .	November
QUABOAG . . . . .	1858 . .	Warren . . . . .	November
DAY SPRING . . . .	1862 . .	Monson . . . . .	December
EDEN . . . . .	1863 . .	Ware . . . . .	November
VERNON . . . . .	1869 . .	Belchertown . . . .	December



## DISTRICT No. XVIII. — WORCESTER.

CHARLES A. PEABODY, WORCESTER, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
ING STAR . . .	1793 . .	Worcester . . .	November
E BRANCH . . .	1797 . .	Millbury . . .	October
ACUTE . . .	1858 . .	Worcester . . .	November
EN . . .	1863 . .	Brookfield . . .	November
STAN . . .	1865 . .	Worcester . . .	November
IGAMOND . . .	1870 . .	Worcester . . .	October
ER . . .	1871 . .	Spencer . . .	October
TON . . .	1876 . .	West Boylston . .	October

## DISTRICT No. XIX. — SOUTHBRIDGE.

LESTER H. CUDWORTH, OXFORD, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
MON'S TEMPLE . . .	1818 . .	Uxbridge . . .	October
STONE RIVER . . .	1855 . .	Blackstone . . .	November
TER . . .	1858 . .	Webster . . .	December
BAUG . . .	1859 . .	Southbridge . . .	September
RD . . .	1859 . .	Oxford . . .	September
ORD RIVER . . .	1877 . .	East Douglas . . .	October
ITE . . .	1880 . .	Northbridge . . .	October

## DISTRICT No. XX. — MILFORD.

W. JOHN H. BALCOM, ASHLAND, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
GOMERY . . .	1797 . .	Milford . . .	October
KLIN . . .	1851 . .	Grafton . . .	November
WARREN . . .	1860 . .	Hopkinton . . .	October
H STAR . . .	1864 . .	Ashland . . .	November
T HOLLIS . . .	1865 . .	Holliston . . .	December
M . . .	1866 . .	Westboro' . . .	October
LSIOR . . .	1866 . .	Franklin . . .	October
LES RIVER . . .	1870 . .	Medway . . .	October

## DISTRICT NO. XXI. — FRAMINGHAM.

R.W. GEORGE A. STACY, MARLBORO', D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
MIDDLESEX . . . . .	1795 . . .	Framingham . . .	November
MERIDIAN . . . . .	1797 . . .	Natick . . . . .	October
UNITED BRETHREN . . . . .	1859 . . .	Marlboro' . . . .	September
DORIC . . . . .	1863 . . .	Hudson . . . . .	September
SAINT BERNARD'S . . . . .	1867 . . .	Southboro' . . . .	September
CHARLES A. WELCH . . . . .	1872 . . .	Maynard . . . . .	October
NORFOLK . . . . .	1874 . . .	Needham . . . . .	May
ALPHA . . . . .	1875 . . .	South Framingham	September

## DISTRICT NO. XXII. — HYDE PARK.

R.W. ALBERT E. BRADLEY, HYDE PARK, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
RISING STAR . . . . .	1799 . . .	Stoughton . . . .	December
SAINT ALBAN'S . . . . .	1818 . . .	Foxboro' . . . . .	November
ORIENT . . . . .	1861 . . .	Norwood . . . . .	November
BLUE HILL . . . . .	1863 . . .	Canton . . . . .	November
SAINT JAMES . . . . .	1864 . . .	Mansfield . . . . .	December
HYDE PARK . . . . .	1866 . . .	Hyde Park . . . . .	December
PAUL DEAN . . . . .	1867 . . .	North Easton . . .	November
CONSTELLATION . . . . .	1871 . . .	Dedham . . . . .	November

## DISTRICT NO. XXIII. — TAUNTON.

R.W. SOLON R. WRIGHT, TAUNTON, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
BRISTOL . . . . .	1797 . . .	North Attleboro' .	December
KING DAVID . . . . .	1798 . . .	Taunton . . . . .	November
PIONEER . . . . .	1863 . . .	Somerset . . . . .	November
MAY FLOWER . . . . .	1864 . . .	Middleboro' . . . .	November
ALFRED BAYLIES . . . . .	1866 . . .	Taunton . . . . .	October
IONIC . . . . .	1867 . . .	Taunton . . . . .	November
EZEKIEL BATES . . . . .	1870 . . .	Attleboro' . . . . .	October
CHARLES H. TITUS . . . . .	1872 . . .	Taunton . . . . .	October

## DISTRICT No. XXIV.—BROCKTON.

HERBERT I. MITCHELL, BROCKTON, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
W. SHIP . . . .	1797 . .	Bridgewater . .	November
. . . . .	1801 . .	Quincy . . . .	November
W. LK UNION . . .	1819 . .	Randolph . . . .	November
W. REVERE . . . .	1856 . .	Brockton . . . .	December
W. CUTLER . . . .	1859 . .	Abington . . . .	September
W. N . . . .	1869 . .	Whitman . . . .	January
W. GEORGE . . . .	1877 . .	Brockton . . . .	December
W. KET . . . .	1881 . .	East Bridgewater	November

## DISTRICT No. XXV.—HINGHAM.

AMOS A. LAWRENCE, COHASSET, D.D.G.M.

of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
W. COLONY . . . .	1792 . .	Hingham . . . .	November
W. R-STONE . . . .	1801 . .	Duxbury . . . .	November
W. N'S HOPE . . . .	1825 . .	Weymouth . . . .	November
W. YTH . . . .	1825 . .	Plymouth . . . .	December
W. ASSETT . . . .	1865 . .	Cohasset . . . .	November
. . . . .	1868 . .	Weymouth . . . .	January
W. K . . . .	1873 . .	Hanover . . . .	October
. . . . .	1875 . .	Scituate . . . .	November

## DISTRICT No. XXVI.—FALL RIVER.

JAMES E. McCREERY, FALL RIVER, D.D.G.M.

Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
W. THE EAST . . . .	1823 . .	New Bedford . .	December
W. HOPE . . . .	1824 . .	Fall River . . . .	November
. . . . .	1857 . .	New Bedford . .	December
W. PHILIP . . . .	1866 . .	Fall River . . . .	November
W. DIA . . . .	1872 . .	Fairhaven . . . .	December
W. ANSETT . . . .	1875 . .	Fall River . . . .	November
W. HOKE . . . .	1878 . .	Westport . . . .	November

## DISTRICT No. XXVII.—NANTUCKET.

R.W. JOHN HUXTABLE, WAREHAM, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
UNION . . . . .	1771 . .	Nantucket . . .	November
MARINE . . . . .	1798 . .	Falmouth . . .	November
SOCIAL HARMONY . . .	1823 . .	Wareham . . .	December
DE WITT CLINTON . . .	1855 . .	Sandwich . . .	November
MARTHA'S VINEYARD . .	1859 . .	Tisbury . . .	December
PYTHAGOREAN . . . .	1861 . .	Marion . . .	November
ORIENTAL . . . . .	1866 . .	Edgartown . . .	December

## DISTRICT No. XXVIII.—PROVINCETOWN.

R.W. OLIVER H. LINNELL, WELFLEET, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
KING HIRAM . . . . .	1795 . .	Provincetown . .	November
FRATERNAL . . . . .	1801 . .	Barnstable . . .	January
MOUNT HOREB . . . . .	1854 . .	Harwich . . .	December
PILGRIM . . . . .	1859 . .	Harwich . . .	December
ADAMS . . . . .	1865 . .	Wellfleet . . .	January
HOWARD . . . . .	1869 . .	South Yarmouth .	December
MARINERS' . . . . .	1870 . .	Cotuit . . .	January
SAINT MARTIN'S . . . .	1872 . .	Chatham . . .	December

## CHILI DISTRICT.

R.W. PETER EWING, SANTIAGO, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
BETHESDA . . . . .	1853 . .	Valparaiso . . .	August
ACONCAGUA . . . . .	1869 . .	Valparaiso . . .	August
HUELEN . . . . .	1876 . .	Santiago . . .	August
SAINT JOHN'S . . . . .	1884 . .	Concepcion . . .	August

## CHINA DISTRICT.

R.W. DE WITT C. JANSEN, SHANGHAI, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
ANCIENT LANDMARK . .	1864 . .	Shanghai . . .	October

## ALPHABETICAL LIST OF LODGES.

THEIR LOCATIONS, MASTERS, WARDENS, AND  
SECRETARIES FOR 1894.

RODNEY, Boston. District No. 2. Chester M. Perry, m.; William P. Willard, s.w.; Henry M. Nourse, j.w.; Samuel Hosea, Jr., s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, November.

WINDHAM, East Gloucester. District No. 8. Thomas H. G. Douglass, m.; Clarence A. Elwell, s.w.; Herman F. Douglass, j.w.; Charles D. Brown, s. Monthly meeting, second Friday; election, November.

VALPARAISO, Valparaiso. Chile District. Robert McKinlay, m.; William Campbell, s.w.; Harry S. Brickell, j.w.; Thomas Wright, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Thursday; election, August.

WELLFLEET, District No. 28. William H. Tubman, m.; Samuel Kemp, s.w.; Stephen F. King, j.w.; Oliver H. Linnell, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, January.

WINDHAM, South Boston. District No. 4. Daniel F. Holmes, m.; Ira B. Goodrich, s.w.; Samuel Meadows, j.w.; William H. Morse, s. Monthly meeting, third Tuesday; election, November.

WINDHAM BAYLIES, Taunton. District No. 23. Alfred L. Lincoln, m.; Edwin O. Williams, s.w.; Gilbert H. Padelford, j.w.; Edward A. Crane, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday after full moon; election, October.

WINDHAM, South Framingham. District No. 21. Alfred E. Martin, m.; Orville W. Collins, s.w.; George T. Stevens, j.w.; Edgar Potter, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Monday; election, September.

WINDHAM, Cambridge. District No. 2. Horace G. Kemp, m.; William H. Ford, s.w.; Clarence M. Howlett, j.w.; Richard W. Sutton, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, December.

WINDHAM, Danvers. District No. 8. Arthur P. Chase, m.; Frank C. Damon, s.w.; Robert K. Sears, j.w.; Dudley A. Massey, s. Monthly meeting, Friday on or before full moon; election, November.



- ANCIENT LANDMARK, Shanghai.** China District. Joseph W. Burke, m.; James Eveleigh, s.w.; Wm. John Vine, j.w.; Charles J. Stewart, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, October.
- ANCIENT YORK, Lowell.** District No. 11. Charles H. Gould, m.; Fred'k T. Walsh, s.w.; Wallace A. Corey, j.w.; Frank M. Merrill, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, October.
- ARTISAN, Winchendon.** District No. 12. Frank M. Collister, m.; Charles D. Young, s.w.; Marcus A. Young, j.w.; George M. Whitney, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September.
- ASHLER, Rockport.** District No. 9. Edgar Knowlton, m.; Thomas T. H. Harwood, s.w.; Frank E. Foster, j.w.; John W. Marshall, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- ATHELSTAN, Worcester.** District No. 18. Henry Walker, m.; John A. Sears, s.w.; John T. Wheeler, j.w.; Fred Knight, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, November.
- ATHOL, Athol.** District No. 12. James F. Whitcomb, m.; Frank L. Hood, s.w.; Ralph H. Haskins, j.w.; Joseph A. Holton, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- AURORA, Fitchburg.** District No. 12. Samuel W. Sawyer, m.; William H. Bennett, s.w.; Willard W. Jones, j.w.; Francis D. Tuttle, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, September.
- BAALBEC, East Boston.** District No. 3. Gilbert M. Stalker, m.; Edward G. Graves, s.w.; Henry W. Smith, j.w.; John Marno, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- BAY STATE, Montague.** District No. 13. Lucius S. Field, m.; Edgar L. Bartlett, s.w.; Harry M. Dudley, j.w.; James B. Marsh, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, October.
- BELCHER, Chicopee Falls.** District No. 16. J. Wilson Belcher, m.; Albert E. Taylor, s.w.; Woodman S. Page, j.w.; Warren H. Hamilton, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, October.
- BELMONT, Belmont.** District No. 5. Charles H. Houlahan, m.; Amos E. Hill, s.w.; Edward O. Hatch, j.w.; Thos. W. Davis, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, December.
- BERKSHIRE, Adams.** District No. 14. Arthur B. Daniels, m.; George H. Holden, s.w.; Herbert E. Harrington, j.w.; Stephen L. A. Hall, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.

ny, Merrimac. District No. 9. Daniel J. Poore, m.; Alex. Hanna, s.w.; Bion Green, j.w.; William L. Smart, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, September.

L, Enfield. District No. 17. Fred N. Peirce, m.; Eugene C. Lamson, s.w.; Charles W. Felton, j.w.; Charles O. Davis, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, November.

SDA, Brighton. District No. 5. Hammond B. Hazelwood, m.; Leonard W. Ross, s.w.; Bentley W. Warren, j.w.; Wm. M. Cotton, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, December.

SDA, Valparaiso. Chile District. Edward Thomas, m.; Samuel McComb, s.w.; James E. Bottomley, j.w.; Wm. Fogg, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, August.

HORON, Brookline. District No. 5. Clarence A. Delano, m.; Reuben S. Swan, s.w.; D. Edward Beede, j.w.; Francis H. Bacon, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, December.

STONE RIVER, Blackstone. District No. 19. Frank B. Hodgson, m.; George W. Maxon, s.w.; Andrew N. Maxon, j.w.; Americus Welch, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday before full moon; election, November.

HILL, Canton. District No. 22. Nathaniel W. Dunbar, m.; Robert Bird, s.w.; Charles H. Eager, j.w.; Timothy Owen, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.

ron, West Boylston. District No. 18. Linus G. Harris, m.; Harry L. Sawyer, s.w.; William E. Storms, j.w.; Harrison E. Morton, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, October.

AM, Ludlow. District No. 16. Albert H. Halford, m.; Walter B. Atchinson, s.w.; George W. Miller, j.w.; James B. Knowlton, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September.

L, North Attleboro'. District No. 23. Owen B. Bestor, m.; Leo A. Heilborn, s.w.; Charles E. Sandland, j.w.; Joseph E. Pond, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December.

BUTLER, Ayer. District No. 11. George H. Bixby, m.; Reuben L. Fillebrown, s.w.; Frank S. Pierce, j.w.; Elson H. Bigelow, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.

r, North Cambridge. District No. 6. Osman D. Baker, m.; George M. McCallar, s.w.; Walter J. Godfrey, j.w.; Thomas T. Ferguson, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.

- CHARLES A. WELCH, Maynard.** District No. 21. Sidney B. Shattuck, m.; Thomas Deane, s.w.; Albert E. Davis, j.w.; Lucius H. Maynard, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, October.
- CHARLES C. DAME, Georgetown.** District No. 9. Wm. A. Butler, m.; Alfred A. Howe, s.w.; Albert O. Perley, j.w.; Edward Fickett, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, January.
- CHARLES H. TITUS, Taunton.** District No. 23. John E. DeBlois, m.; Edwin A. Dary, s.w.; Herbert N. Pierce, j.w.; Edgar L. Crossman, s. Monthly meeting, second Friday; election, October.
- CHARLES RIVER, Medway.** District No. 20. Sylvester A. Greenwood, m.; George M. Harding, s.w.; William D. Daniels, j.w.; Clara P. Harding, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- CHARLES W. MOORE, Fitchburg.** District No. 12. Guy Woods, m.; Charles W. Bennett, s.w.; Nathan C. Upham, j.w.; Joseph Stratton, s. Monthly meeting, third Tuesday; election, September.
- CHICOPEE, Chicopee.** District No. 16. George D. Eldredge, m.; Irving Nye, s.w.; James R. Pervere, j.w.; Chas. A. Buckley, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- CINCINNATUS, Great Barrington.** District No. 15. Charles H. Booth, m.; Clinton B. Coleman, s.w.; John C. Benton, j.w.; Isaac R. Prince, s. Monthly meeting, Friday on or before full moon; election, December.
- COCHICHEWICK, North Andover.** District No. 10. Frank Tisdale, m.; George H. Perkins, s.w.; George A. Rea, j.w.; Charles F. Johnson, s. Monthly meeting, Friday on or before full moon; election, November.
- COLUMBIAN, Boston.** District No. 1. William White, m.; John F. Bush, s.w.; Joseph S. Kendall, j.w.; Wm. T. R. Marvin, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, December.
- CONCORDIA, Fairhaven.** District No. 26. Alexander C. James, m.; Arthur D. W. Bryant, s.w.; Roderick A. Packard, j.w.; Frederick Keith, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.
- CONSTELLATION, Dedham.** District No. 22. Lewis D. Smith, m.; John E. Fisher, s.w.; George A. Phillips, j.w.; Henry D. Humphrey, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, November.



VERSE, Malden. District No. 7. Arthur W. Walker, m.; Andrew J. Freeman, s.w.; Edmund S. Wellington, j.w.; Charles R. Magee, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.

INTHIAN, Concord. District No. 11. Herbert W. Hosmer, m.; George H. Hopkins, s.w.; Charles S. Hart, j.w.; Thomas H. Drury, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, October.

NER-STONE, Duxbury. District No. 25. Wm. W. Myrick, m.; Walter C. Hammond, s.w.; George H. Ames, j.w.; Alfred E. Green, s. Monthly meeting, Saturday on or before full moon; election, November.

SCENT, Pittsfield. District No. 15. Harlan H. Ballard, m.; Almon H. Harrison, s.w.; Sears C. Lyon, j.w.; David L. Evans, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Monday; election, September.

HOUSIE, Newtonville. District No. 5. Robert Bennett, m.; George A. Gleason, s.w.; Winfield S. Slocum, j.w.; Edward E. Morgan, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, June.

SPRING, Monson. District No. 17. Ralph F. Bradway, m.; Charles W. Darling, s.w.; Ansel H. Shaw, j.w.; Nelson A. Bugbee, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December.

TA, Weymouth. District No. 25. Frank H. Mason, m.; Howard Poole, s.w.; William F. Hathaway, j.w.; Alden Bowditch, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, January.

VITT CLINTON, Sandwich. District No. 27. Eugene W. Haines, m.; Seth A. Hargreaves, s.w.; William H. Heald, j.w.; Ambrose E. Pratt, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.

tc, Hudson. District No. 21. Stevens A. Holt, m.; Ralph E. Joslin, s.w.; Eugene P. Lawrence, j.w.; Edward A. Holyoke, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, September.

, Ware. District No. 17. Alfred A. Green, m.; John H. Schoonmaker, s.w.; Frank A. Garrow, j.w.; Reuben E. Capron, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, second Monday in November.

r, Jamaica Plain. District No. 4. John A. McKim, m.; George B. Ager, s.w.; George R. Alley, j.w.; Frank P. Webster, s. Monthly meeting, third Wednesday; election, November.

- ESSEX, Salem.** District No. 8. John M. Raymond, m.; Andrew J. Wilson, s.w.; Thomas G. Pinnock, j.w.; Horace N. Smith, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, October.
- EUREKA, New Bedford.** District No. 26. Henry T. Phillips, m.; William Bliss, s.w.; Clifton H. Cornish, j.w.; Daniel W. Cory, s. Monthly meeting, first Friday; election, December.
- EVENING STAR, Lee.** District No. 15. John W. Cooney, m.; Jared Bradley, s.w.; Frank M. Pease, j.w.; Charles H. Videtto, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September.
- EXCELSIOR, Franklin.** District No. 20. Elbridge J. Whitaker, m.; Alfred Farrington, Jr., s.w.; Charles Stewart, j.w.; Henry A. Talbot, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, October.
- EZEKIEL BATES, Attleboro'.** District No. 23. Walter T. Mason, m.; William L. Elliot, s.w.; Jason L. Wells, j.w.; Benj. P. King, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- FAITH, Charlestown.** District No. 3. Winfield F. Prime, m.; James G. Jones, s.w.; John Mulcahey, j.w.; Joseph W. Linnell, s. Monthly meeting, second Friday; election, December.
- FELLOWSHIP, Bridgewater.** District No. 24. Henry L. Crane, m.; Arthur C. Boyden, s.w.; John G. Braman, j.w.; John Mayo, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, November.
- FRANKLIN, Grafton.** District No. 20. Loender C. Emerson, m.; Sumner F. Leonard, s.w.; Charles A. Smith, j.w.; Benjamin F. Gibson, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.
- FRATERNAL, Barnstable.** District No. 28. Edward L. Chase, m.; Orlando W. Marchant, s.w.; George B. Lewis, j.w.; Oliver C. Hoxie, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, January.
- GATE OF THE TEMPLE, South Boston.** District No. 4. Emerson H. Nye, m.; Wm. H. Stevenson, s.w.; Bertram D. Amsden, j.w.; Charles H. Kimball, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Tuesday; election, November.
- GERMANIA, Boston.** District No. 1. Marcus Tishler, m.; Joseph Gahm, s.w.; John B. Ultsch, j.w.; Raphael Lasker, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Monday; election, November.
- GLOBE, Hinsdale.** District No. 15. Julius E. Mecum, m.; John Forward, s.w.; George M. Watkins, j.w.; Azariah S. Storm, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, October.

EN FLEECE, Lynn. District No. 7. Robt. E. Ramsdell, m.; William E. Hudson, s.w.; Frank P. Bubier, j.w.; William B. Phillips, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, November.

EN RULE, Wakefield. District No. 7. James Driver, m.; Walter F. Perkins, s.w.; Erastus D. Weston, j.w.; Wm. H. Atwell, Jr., s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, December.

SAMARITAN, Reading. District No. 7. Joshua A. Stott, m.; Daniel T. Bickford, s.w.; Arthur T. Bond, j.w.; Walter M. Scott, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, December.

RE, Northbridge. District No. 19. Walter W. Dudley, m.; Frank G. Foster, s.w.; Wm. J. Johnston, j.w.; Oscar L. Owen, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.

AN, Lawrence. District No. 10. Edward F. Hartwell, m.; Wm. R. Sawyer, s.w.; Alexander A. Davis, j.w.; Charles H. Littlefield, s. Monthly meeting, last Friday; election, October.

OCK, North Adams. District No. 14. Hobart C. Tower, m.; Joseph Makaut, s.w.; Absalom L. Powell, j.w.; Junius B. Temple, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, November.

ATT, East Boston. District No. 3. Geo. Z. Lythgoe, m.; William B. Allen, s.w.; Colin D. Cameron, j.w.; William C. R. Woodside, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Tuesday; election, October.

EN, Springfield. District No. 16. Guy Carleton, m.; Charles F. Cooper, s.w.; Edwin C. Spear, j.w.; Eugene Draper, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.

HIRE, Haydenville. District No. 13. Chauncey W. Fay, m.; William Noble, s.w.; Clarence D. Loomis, j.w.; Wilmot L. Clark, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.

MY, Northfield. District No. 13. Rollin C. Ward, m.; David May, s.w.; George D. Hutchins, j.w.; Charles C. Stearns, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.

W, Brookfield. District No. 18. Henry W. Rice, M.; William H. Albee, s.w.; Charles M. Preston, j.w.; Claude H. Laffin, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.

PRICE, Charlestown. District No. 3. Walter S. Brewer, m.; William O. Wiley, s.w.; Fred. R. Pease, j.w.; Charles S. Robertson, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Wednesday; election, October.

- HIRAM**, Arlington. District No. 6. Edward H. Cutter, m.; Winfield S. Durgin, s.w.; Charles W. Bunker, j.w.; Charles H. Prentiss, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, November.
- HOPE**, Gardner. District No. 12. Volney W. Howe, m.; Florus D. Ramsdell, s.w.; Elwin C. Wheeler, j.w.; John D. Edgell, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- HOWARD**, South Yarmouth. District No. 28. William N. Stetson, m.; Elisha T. Baker, s.w.; Joseph K. Chase, j.w.; Zenas P. Howes, s. Monthly meeting, first Saturday; election, December.
- HUELEN**, Santiago. Chile District. Henry T. Arnitt, m.; Harry Styles, s.w.; Peter Macgregor, j.w.; Joseph J. Green, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, August.
- HUNTINGTON**, Huntington. District No. 15. James H. Dickinson, m.; Jabez Matthews, s.w.; Bridgeman E. Bradley, j.w.; Benj. H. Ellis, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- HYDE PARK**, Hyde Park. District No. 22. Asa J. Adams, m.; Joseph K. Knight, s.w.; Daniel E. Cluff, j.w.; T. Daniel Tooker, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, December.
- IONIC**, Easthampton. District No. 16. Charles H. Upson, m.; Oren C. Burt, s.w.; George M. Rich, j.w.; Hubbard A. Goodenough, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, November.
- IONIC**, Taunton. District No. 23. Nathaniel J. W. Fish, m.; Lloyd I. White, s.w.; George F. Chace, j.w.; Ansel O. Burt, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- ISAAC PARKER**, Waltham. District No. 5. Lavater W. Powers, m.; Frederick W. Derbyshire, s.w.; Harvey S. Hartwell, j.w.; Charles I. Eaton, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, third Tuesday in November.
- JERUSALEM**, Northampton. District No. 13. Frank R. Mantor, m.; John F. Lambie, s.w.; Aubrey B. Munyan, j.w.; Kirk H. Stone, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday before full moon; election, November.
- JOHN ABBOT**, Somerville. District No. 6. Horace L. Eaton, m.; Frank W. Mead, s.w.; Elmer E. Cousens, j.w.; Thomas Miller, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, September.

CUTLER, Abington. District No. 24. David V. Poole, m.; Charles B. Shaw, s.w.; Charles S. Beal, j.w.; Erastus M. Nash, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, September.

HANCOCK, Methuen. District No. 10. Tenney Morse, m.; Eugene N. Hall, s.w.; Everett L. Edmands, j.w.; John G. Low, s. Monthly meeting, last Friday; election, September.

T. HEARD, Ipswich. District No. 9. George W. Starkey, m.; Charles W. Appleton, s.w.; Frank W. Keyes, j.w.; Jesse H. Wade, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.

WARREN, Hopkinton. District No. 20. Clarence J. Woolson, m.; Frank E. Safford, s.w.; George E. Hunter, j.w.; Rufus H. Hopkins, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.

DAN, Peabody. District No. 8. Emery W. Myers, m.; Nathan Poor, s.w.; Charles C. Dodge, j.w.; James Rodie, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, September.

PH WARREN, Boston. District No. 1. William B. Robinson, m.; Edward L. Baker, s.w.; Charles F. Day, j.w.; Albert Babbitt, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Tuesday; election, December.

PH WEBB, Boston. District No. 2. John H. Woodman, m.; Frank T. Kenah, s.w.; William H. Kenah, j.w.; Charles C. Littlefield, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, November.

WINNING, Lowell. District No. 11. Frederick W. Way, m.; Joseph Miller, s.w.; James F. Savage, j.w.; Willard A. Brown, s. Monthly meeting, Friday on or before full moon; election, November.

CYRUS, Stoneham. District No. 7. William H. Briggs, m.; Henry C. Carbee, s.w.; George W. Hook, j.w.; Eliot L. Packard, s. Monthly meeting, third Tuesday; election, October.

DAVID, Taunton. District No. 23. Henry D. Atwell, M.; Walter T. Soper, s.w.; Albert E. Robinson, j.w.; Alfred B. Hodges, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.

HIRAM, Provincetown. District No. 28. George W. Holbrook, m.; William W. Johnson, s.w.; Irving L. Rosenthal, j.w.; Joseph H. Dyer, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, November.



- KING PHILIP**, Fall River. District No. 26. John T. Burrell, m.; George T. Wilcox, s.w.; George W. Smith, j.w.; Charles E. Sawyer, s. Monthly meeting, last Tuesday; election, November.
- KING SOLOMON'S**, Charlestown. District No. 2. Ernest C. Marshall, m.; Charles H. Tucker, s.w.; Charles O. Shute, j.w.; Frederick S. Nelson, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, October.
- KONOHASSETT**, Cohasset. District No. 25. Thomas A. Rich, m.; Harry W. Souther, s.w.; Harry E. Mapes, j.w.; John O. Hall, s. Monthly meeting, Friday on or before full moon; election, November.
- LA FAYETTE**, North Adams. District No. 14. Albert A. Wills, m.; J. Monroe Prentice, s.w.; Sanford H. Plumb, j.w.; Charles S. Peach, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, December.
- LA FAYETTE**, Roxbury. District No. 4. Edgar E. Gray, m.; Gardner F. Packard, s.w.; Byram W. Hatch, j.w.; James W. Blaisdell, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, June.
- LIBERTY**, Beverly. District No. 8. John W. Carter, m.; Stephen W. Abbott, s.w.; Charles E. Greenough, j.w.; Hervey Lunt, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, October.
- LODGE OF ELEUSIS**, Boston. District No. 2. Walter U. Lewisson, m.; George F. Hall, s.w.; Wilber H. Lansil, j.w.; Robert W. Light, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, December.
- LODGE OF ST. ANDREW**, Boston. District No. 1. William L. Richardson, m.; Charles M. Green, s.w.; Benj. A. Gould, j.w.; William F. Davis, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, November.
- MACEDONIAN**, Milton. District No. 4. Freeland D. Leslie, m.; Edwin D. Wadsworth, s.w.; Charles F. Hall, j.w.; Walter W. Strangman, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Tuesday; election, second Tuesday in October.
- MARINE**, Falmouth. District No. 27. Levi A. Howes, m.; Andrew W. Davis, s.w.; George R. Johnson, j.w.; Thos. J. McLane, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, November.
- MARINERS'**, Cotuit. District No. 28. Joseph B. Folger, m.; Zeno S. Parker, s.w.; Benj. F. Crosby, Jr., j.w.; Elias W. Burrows, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, January.

HA'S VINEYARD, Tisbury. District No. 27. William W. Neifert, m.; William D. Harding, s.w.; John E. Look, j.w.; Alex. W. Smith, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, December.

ACHUSETTS, Boston. District No. 1. Henry H. Kendall, m.; Geo. E. Henry, s.w.; William H. Lott, j.w.; James C. Bates, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, December.

FLOWER, Middleboro'. District No. 23. George A. Cox, m.; J. Herbert Cushing, s.w.; Jared F. Alden, j.w.; James M. Coombs, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, second Tuesday in November.

ANICKS', Turner's Falls. District No. 13. Thos. B. Ross, m.; Enoch G. Best, s.w.; Charles W. Schuler, j.w.; Calvin C. Magoon, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, November.

DIAN, Natick. District No. 21. Elwin C. Huntoon, m.; Wilmont W. Mitchell, s.w.; Marshall L. Perrin, j.w.; Charles C. Henry, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.

IMACK, Haverhill. District No. 10. Frank P. Stevens, m.; Lester B. LeGro, s.w.; William W. Roberts, j.w.; Daniel C. Hunt, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, November.

LESEX, Framingham. District No. 21. Wm. Nicholson, m.; Lauren A. Freeman, s.w.; Joseph S. Adams, j.w.; Harry N. Winch, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, November.

AH, Cambridge. District No. 2. Walworth O. Barbour, m.; Lorrin W. Ferdinand, s.w.; George M. Smith, j.w.; John D. C. Harries, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.

ROR, Waltham. District No. 5. Jas. N. Greenwood, m.; Clarence Tebbetts, s.w.; Arthur P. Smith, j.w.; Alex. Starbuck, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, November.

ACUTE, Worcester. District No. 18. Frank M. Heath, m.; Robert W. Clifford, s.w.; Forrest E. Barker, j.w.; Harry A. Marvin, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, November.

GOMERY, Milford. District No. 20. Herbert S. Eldredge, m.; George L. Maynard, s.w.; Arthur W. Vant, j.w.; Charles E. Whitney, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, October.

ING STAR, Worcester. District No. 18. Walter A. Williams, m.; Charles C. Rogers, s.w.; Wm. H. Needham, j.w.; Frank M. Lord, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.

- MORNING SUN**, Conway. District No. 13. Fred'k C. Batchelder, m.; Arthur P. Delabarre, s.w.; Charles L. Cook, j.w.; Henry W. Billings, s. Monthly meeting, Monday nearest the full moon election, November.
- MOSAIC**, Danvers. District No. 8. Charles H. Preston, m.; Wendell P. Patch, s.w.; Samuel B. Hoar, j.w.; Geo. H. Perkins, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.
- MOUNTAIN**, Shelburne Falls. District No. 13. Geo. H. Wilkins, m.; Geo. W. Halligan, s.w.; Arthur J. Rowland, j.w.; Willis M. Johnson, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon election, October.
- MOUNT CARMEL**, Lynn. District No. 7. Walter M. Lamkin, m.; Benjamin F. Arrington, s.w.; Josiah P. Croscup, j.w.; Charles E. Chase, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, November.
- MOUNT HERMON**, Medford. District No. 6. Walter L. Hall, m.; William P. Martin, s.w.; Edward W. Mitchell, j.w.; Parker R. Litchfield, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, December.
- MOUNT HOLLIS**, Holliston. District No. 20. John H. Andrews, m.; Jarvis B. Woolford, s.w.; Josiah B. Parkin, j.w.; Harry O. B. Nichols, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- MOUNT HOLYOKE**, South Hadley Falls. District No. 16. Will W. Gaylord, m.; Albert G. Hahn, s.w.; Frank B. Herrick, j.w.; Thomas Van Riper, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.
- MOUNT HOPE**, Fall River. District No. 26. William Crossley, m.; Samuel Smith, s.w.; Newton Healey, j.w.; Peter S. Henry, s. Monthly meeting, first Friday; election, November.
- MOUNT HOREB**, Harwich. District No. 28. Henry C. Berry, m.; Sullivan W. Rogers, s.w.; Charles E. Hall, j.w.; Charles H. Kelley, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, December.
- MOUNT HOREB**, Woburn. District No. 6. William H. Bowers, m.; Charles M. Howe, s.w.; Herbert B. Dow, j.w.; John Duncan, Jr., s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, December.
- MOUNT LEBANON**, Boston. District No. 1. Gus G. R. Stanwood, m.; William B. Phipps, s.w.; George Stedman, j.w.; Warren B. Ellis, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.
- MOUNT MORIAH**, Westfield. District No. 16. William H. Farnsworth, m.; Ernest Crowson, s.w.; William L. Bartlett, j.w.; Wilbur F. Harding, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, September.



UNT OLIVET, Cambridge. District No. 2. Walter C. Wardwell, m.; John S. Patton, s.w.; Warren P. Dudley, j.w.; James L. Buffum, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, November.

UNT TABOR, East Boston. District No. 3. William H. Beeching, m.; Charles R. Morse, s.w.; William H. Leach, j.w.; J. Hiram S. Pearson, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, November.

UNT TOM, Holyoke. District No. 16. Jarvis U. Woods, m.; Eli W. Beach, s.w.; Ormsbee T. Farnham, j.w.; John E. Bronson, s. Monthly meeting, first Friday; election, November.

UNT VERNON, Malden. District No. 7. Edwin G. McInnes, m.; Winslow B. Southworth, s.w.; William D. Serrat, j.w.; Charles J. Edmands, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.

UNT ZION, Barre. District No. 17. Charles E. Newton, m.; George Desper, s.w.; John L. Smith, j.w.; William R. Spooner, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, September.

FORD RIVER, East Douglas. District No. 19. Benj. Townley, m.; R. Lester Hannant, s.w.; Henry A. B. Peckham, j.w.; Chas. J. Batcheller, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, October.

TIC, Pittsfield. District No. 15. Joseph W. Lewis, m.; Herbert S. Wollison, s.w.; Percy A. Chambers, j.w.; James Kittle, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, October.

RAGANSETT, Fall River. District No. 26. Dwight E. Cone, m.; Arthur C. Wyatt, s.w.; Charles E. Baker, j.w.; William H. Armstrong, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.

TON, Wilbraham. District No. 16. James Stephens, m.; Charles E. Fletcher, s.w.; Charles C. Beebe, j.w.; Wm. Henry Day, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, November.

TOCHOKE, Westport. District No. 26. James Allen, 2d, m.; George Potter, s.w.; Henry T. Allen, j.w.; Humphrey R. Russell, s. Monthly meeting, Saturday on or before full moon; election, November.

FOLK, Needham. District No. 21. William C. Freeman, m.; Norman C. Munson, s.w.; Frederick D. Sutton, j.w.; Edgar H. Bowers, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, May.

FOLK UNION, Randolph. District No. 24. Asa P. French, m.; Frank C. Granger, s.w.; Herbert F. French, j.w.; John H. Field, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.

- MORNING SUN, Conway.** District No. 13. Fred'k C. Batchelder, m.; Arthur P. Delabarre, s.w.; Charles L. Cook, j.w.; Henry W. Billings, s. Monthly meeting, Monday nearest the full moon; election, November.
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- MOUNT HOREB, Woburn.** District No. 6. William H. Bowers, m.; Charles M. Howe, s.w.; Herbert B. Dow, j.w.; John Duncan, Jr., s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, December.
- MOUNT LEBANON, Boston.** District No. 1. Gus G. R. Stanwood, m.; William B. Phipps, s.w.; George Stedman, j.w.; Warren B. Ellis, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.
- MOUNT MORIAH, Westfield.** District No. 16. William H. Farnsworth, m.; Ernest Crowson, s.w.; William L. Bartlett, j.w.; Wilbur F. Harding, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, September.

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**FOLK, Needham.** District No. 21. William C. Freeman, m.; Norman C. Munson, s.w.; Frederick D. Sutton, j.w.; Edgar H. Bowers, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, May.

**FOLK UNION, Randolph.** District No. 24. Asa P. French, m.; Frank C. Granger, s.w.; Herbert F. French, j.w.; John H. Field, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.

- NORTH STAR, Ashland.** District No. 20. Wm. J. Dix, m.; Fred M. Cutter, s.w.; William B. Pike, j.w.; Ezra Morse, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, November.
- OCCIDENTAL, Stockbridge.** District No. 15. William C. Fields, m.; Frank M. Griffen, s.w.; Miles E. Dunbar, j.w.; George W. Searing, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, December.
- OLD COLONY, Hingham.** District No. 25. George S. Marsh, m.; Horace Peare, s.w.; Walter B. Foster, j.w.; Wm. H. Thomas, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, second Monday in November.
- OLIVE BRANCH, Millbury.** District No. 18. Augustus S. Winter, m.; Jacob R. Lincoln, s.w.; Lyman S. Waters, j.w.; Rufus R. Crane, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, October.
- ORANGE, Orange.** District No. 13. Charles A. Towne, m.; Fred N. Johnson, s.w.; Herbert J. Powers, j.w.; George A. Drake, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, November.
- ORIENT, Norwood.** District No. 22. James A. Hartshorn, m.; Francis E. Everett, s.w.; William E. Freese, j.w.; Edgar L. Bigelow, s. Monthly meeting, Monday nearest full moon; election, November.
- ORIENTAL, Edgartown.** District No. 27. David J. Barney, m.; Jason L. Dexter, s.w.; Richard G. Shute, j.w.; Enoch C. Cornell, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- ORPHAN'S HOPE, Weymouth.** District No. 25. Herbert A. Newton, m.; William T. Rice, s.w.; Douglass M. Easton, j.w.; Thomas J. Evans, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- OXFORD, Oxford.** District No. 19. Charles H. Hawes, m.; Walter D. Tyler, s.w.; Daniel M. Howe, j.w.; Henry A. Moffitt, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, September.
- PACIFIC, Amherst.** District No. 13. George E. Fisher, m.; Walter M. Dickinson, s.w.; Eugene P. Bartlett, j.w.; Frank C. Sherwin, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday next preceding full moon; election, November.
- PALESTINE, Everett.** District No. 7. Thos. Milligan, m.; Henry A. Knight, s.w.; Charles Bruce, j.w.; James A. Wallace, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, November.
- PAUL DEAN, North Easton.** District No. 22. Louis C. Southard, m.; George C. Belcher, s.w.; William Robinson, j.w.; Otis E. Spooner, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.

REVERE, Brockton. District No. 24. Albion H. Howe, m.; Wm. H. Emerson, s.w.; Calvin R. Barrett, j.w.; Frederick R. French, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, December.

TUCKET, Lowell. District No. 11. Frank W. Emerson, m.; Avery B. Clark, s.w.; Chas. S. Proctor, j.w.; Lucius A. Derby, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, October.

UOSSETTE, Watertown. District No. 5. Benjamin W. Brown, m.; Charles F. Bustin, s.w.; John M. Johnson, j.w.; George F. Robinson, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, December.

LANTHROPIC, Marblehead. District No. 8. Benjamin Cole, Jr., m.; P. Howard Shirley, s.w.; Gardner R. Hathaway, j.w.; Stephen P. Hathaway, s. Monthly meeting, third Tuesday; election, October.

ENICIAN, Lawrence. District No. 10. Fred. A. Carr, m.; Edgar S. Rideout, s.w.; Dana W. Scott, j.w.; George H. Merrick, s. Monthly meeting, third Wednesday; election, December.

ENIX, Hanover. District No. 25. Thomas Barstow, m.; L. Vernon Briggs, s.w.; Joseph F. Stetson, j.w.; R. Willard Crane, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday nearest every full moon; election, October.

PRIM, Harwich. District No. 28. Charles E. Hamer, m.; Harry H. Murphy, s.w.; Wm. P. Nichols, j.w.; Henry T. Crosby, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December.

TEER, Somerset. District No. 23. Walter T. Deane, m.; William H. Tallman, s.w.; Benj. C. Chace, j.w.; Thomas H. Deane, s. Monthly meeting, Monday before full moon; election, November.

MOUTH, Plymouth. District No. 25. Clark Ellis, m.; C. Fred. Howe, s.w.; Alfred S. Burbank, j.w.; John B. Washburn, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, December.

SPECT, Roslindale. District No. 4. Harrison Dunham, m.; Wm. H. Bowdlear, s.w.; Daniel Dewar, j.w.; Alexander M. Clute, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, November.

TAN, Whitman. District No. 24. Joseph D. Benson, m.; E. Alden Dyer, s.w.; George L. Paine, j.w.; George H. Pearson, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, January.

AM, East Cambridge. District No. 2. Edw. B. Dale, m.; Wm. R. Blackman, s.w.; Frank H. Willard, j.w.; J. Edwin Price, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, November.



- PYTHAGOREAN, Marion.** District No. 27. Frank B. Coggeshall, m.; Henry C. Dreyer, s.w.; John W. Delano, j.w.; Albert C. Vose, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- QUABOAG, Warren.** District No. 17. Austin V. Dow, m.; Jesse T. Leonard, s.w.; Lucian W. Gilbert, j.w.; Fred W. Kimball, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- QUINKBAUG, Southbridge.** District No. 19. George C. Winter, m.; George W. Corey, s.w.; Lyman E. Sibley, j.w.; Ernest I. Knowles, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, September.
- QUINSIGAMOND, Worcester.** District No. 18. Isaac N. Duke, m.; Brigham M. Scott, s.w.; Herbert P. Hopkins, j.w.; Edward B. Dolliver, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Friday; election, October.
- RABBONI, South Boston.** District No. 4. Charles F. Kelly, m.; George A. Crawford, s.w.; Fred. R. Charnock, j.w.; Richard T. Williams, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, October.
- REPUBLICAN, Greenfield.** District No. 13. Charles A. Wheeler, m.; Edwin R. Fiske, s.w.; William B. Allen, j.w.; John D. Bouker, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, November.
- REVERE, Boston.** District No. 1. George E. Reed, m.; Charles H. Ramsay, s.w.; Barnabas C. Higgins, j.w.; Wm. C. Pope, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, December.
- RISING STAR, Stoughton.** District No. 22. Frank M. Packard, m.; Christopher Farrell, s.w.; H. Augustus Monk, j.w.; Leonard A. Thayer, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, December.
- ROBERT LASH, Chelsea.** District No. 3. Arthur B. Champlin, m.; Ralph W. E. Hopper, s.w.; William B. Walker, j.w.; Otis Merriam, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Wednesday; election, November.
- ROSWELL LEE, Springfield.** District No. 16. Benj. C. Harvey, m.; Harry W. Haskins, s.w.; Albert D. Otto, j.w.; A. Frederick M. Lander, s. Monthly meeting, first Saturday; election, November.
- RURAL, Quincy.** District No. 24. Charles W. Hollis, m.; Joseph L. Whiton, s.w.; James M. Cutting, j.w.; Walter E. Simmons, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, November.

- SAGGAHEW, Haverhill.** District No. 10. Charles P. Sumner, m.; Henry L. Greenlay, s.w.; Joseph A. Dalrymple, j.w.; Fred. C. Fitts, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, December.
- ST. ALBAN's, Foxboro'.** District No. 22. Charles E. Martis, m.; Irving W. Lane, s.w.; Joseph Hearn, j.w.; Willard W. Turner, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, November.
- SAINT BERNARD's, Southboro'.** District No. 21. Samuel A. Wilson, m.; Charles W. Frail, s.w.; Samuel F. Draper, j.w.; James W. Cantello, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, September.
- SAINT GEORGE, Brockton.** District No. 24. Merton E. Holmes, m.; Chas. B. Lawrence, s.w.; Myron L. Keith, j.w.; Alfred W. Lawson, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, December.
- SAINT JAMES, Mansfield.** District No. 22. De Witt B. Hodges, m.; Frank W. Barnard, s.w.; Frank M. Cobb, j.w.; William S. P. Spooner, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December.
- SAINT JOHN's, Boston.** District No. 1. James T. Wetherald, m.; William A. Carrie, s.w.; Edmund H. Talbot, j.w.; James W. Allen, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- SAINT JOHN's, Concepcion.** Chile District. Wm. C. Allen, m.; William Gillies, s.w.; Philip McKey, j.w.; James Dean, s. Monthly meeting, first Saturday; election, August.
- SAINT JOHN's, Newburyport.** District No. 9. Charles W. Knowles, m.; George H. Peckham, s.w.; Charles M. Stacy, j.w.; Samuel Brookings, Jr., s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, March.
- SAINT MARK's, Newburyport.** District No. 9. Alvah Hoyt, m.; Thomas T. Upton, s.w.; Timothy Y. Cotton, j.w.; Chas. S. Lovejoy, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.
- SAINT MARTIN's, Chatham.** District No. 28. James A. Crowell, m.; John J. Howes, s.w.; Erastus T. Bearse, j.w.; Rufus K. Nickerson, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- SAINT MATTHEW's, Andover.** District No. 10. James Anderson, m.; Winslow Goodwin, s.w.; Walter H. Coleman, j.w.; Charles E. Abbott, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, November.

- SAINT PAUL, Ayer.** District No. 11. Albert J. Atwood, m.; Horace W. Eldredge, s.w.; Henry B. Hildreth, j.w.; E. Dana Bancroft, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, October.
- SAINT PAUL's, South Boston.** District No. 4. Benj. O. Dana, m.; Alpheus Hill, s.w.; Horace M. Bickford, Jr., j.w.; Harrison B. Payne, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, December.
- SATUCKET, East Bridgewater.** District No. 24. Prescott H. Pratt, m.; Frank L. Erskine, s.w.; Charles F. Mann, j.w.; Herbert T. Packard, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, second Tuesday in November.
- SATUIT, Scituate.** District No. 25. John Whalen, m.; Arthur R. Tirrell, s.w.; William H. Sampson, j.w.; Nehemiah T. Merritt, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- SILIAM, Westboro'.** District No. 20. Forrest R. Kingsbury, m.; Thomas J. Hastie, s.w.; Geo. G. Genthner, j.w.; Frank W. Bullard, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, October.
- SIMON W. ROBINSON, Lexington.** District No. 6. George W. Sampson, m.; Charles W. Swan, s.w.; Frank H. Locke, j.w.; George H. Cutter, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, November.
- SOCIAL HARMONY, Wareham.** District No. 27. Robert T. Delano, m.; Benjamin Waters, s.w.; Leslie H. Hall, j.w.; Edward A. Gammons, s. Monthly meeting, second Friday; election, December.
- SOLEY, Somerville.** District No. 6. J. Walter Sanborn, m.; William H. Woodberry, s.w.; Albion H. Libbey, j.w.; Elisha G. Woodward, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, September.
- SOLOMON'S TEMPLE, Uxbridge.** District No. 19. L. Frank Sumner, m.; Waldo E. Rawson, s.w.; James H. L. Keegan, j.w.; Leander H. Balcome, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, October.
- SPENCER, Spencer.** District No. 18. Edwin S. Tirrell, Jr., m.; James E. Hemenway, s.w.; Frank S. Eaton, j.w.; George S. Green, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, October.
- STAR, Athol.** District No. 12. John E. French, m.; Frank M. Foss, s.w.; Henrie C. Fay, j.w.; John L. King, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, November.
- STAR IN THE EAST, New Bedford.** District No. 26. Peleg H. S. W. Allen, m.; John L. G. Mason, s.w.; Henry N. West, j.w.; James C. Hitch, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.



- STAR OF BETHLEHEM, Chelsea. District No. 8. Thomas H. Mayo, m.; Charles J. Foye, s.w.; Charles B. Burleigh, j.w.; Lyman M. Miller, s. Monthly meeting, third Wednesday; election, November.
- STARR KING, Salem. District No. 8. Joseph Darling, m.; Robert L. Almy, s.w.; George B. Farrington, j.w.; Henry P. Arvedson, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, October.
- TEMPLE, East Boston. District No. 8. Wm. P. Treet, m.; Joshua A. Story, s.w.; George H. Libby, j.w.; J. Herbert Simpson, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, December.
- THOMAS, Palmer. District No. 17. Charles T. Brainard, m.; Geo. H. Wilkins, s.w.; Charles E. Fish, j.w.; Frank N. Carpenter, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, first Monday in December.
- THOMAS TALBOT, Billerica. District No. 11. Hiram C. Brown, m.; Matthew H. Kohlrausch, s.w.; Arthur W. Holden, j.w.; Richard T. Perry, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- TRINITY, Clinton. District No. 12. Leonard H. Parker, m.; George B. Dinsmore, s.w.; Samuel C. Damon, j.w.; Charles A. Bartlett, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, September.
- TUSCAN, Lawrence. District No. 10. Thomas W. Eastham, m.; Thomas E. Andrew, s.w.; Thomas Lund, j.w.; John L. Seaver, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- TYRIAN, Gloucester. District No. 9. Joseph H. Rowe, m.; Warren A. Bennett, s.w.; James C. Richardson, j.w.; Winslow L. Webber, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- UNION, Dorchester. District No. 4. Arthur H. Littlefield, m.; Caleb D. Dunham, s.w.; Harry G. Howe, j.w.; Charles A. Ruggles, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, November.
- UNION, Nantucket. District No. 27. Albert G. Brock, m.; Charles H. Mowry, s.w.; Rollin M. Allen, j.w.; Henry Paddack, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, November.
- UNITED BRETHREN, Marlboro'. District No. 21. Geo. B. Copeland, m.; Geo. R. Hall, s.w.; Charles H. Stevens, j.w.; Charles S. Thomson, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, September.
- UPTON, Cheshire. District No. 14. Edgar W. Chase, m.; Earl Ingalls, s.w.; Frank S. Reynolds, j.w.; Franck A. Martin, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, November.

**VERNON, Belchertown.** District No. 17. William H. Bridgman, m.; Dwight C. Nutting, s.w.; Henry A. Paine, j.w.; John W. Jackson, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December.

**WARREN, Amesbury.** District No. 9. Emmons H. Babb, m.; Elmer B. Sanborn, s.w.; C. H. Otto Kranz, j.w.; Porter Sargent, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, November.

**WASHINGTON, Roxbury.** District No. 4. Albert E. Carr, m.; Herbert I. Morse, s.w.; Silas W. Brackett, j.w.; John W. Call, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, November.

**WEBSTER, Webster.** District No. 19. George A. Blackman, m.; Henry J. Clarke, s.w.; Edward Forbes, j.w.; John M. Crawford, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.

**WILDER, Leominster.** District No. 12. Daniel W. Martin, m.; William A. Putnam, s.w.; Harry L. Pierce, j.w.; Geo. G. Lawrence, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September.

**WILLIAM NORTH, Lowell.** District No. 11. Harry K. Boardman, m.; Arthur S. Cutler, s.w.; Wallace V. Adams, j.w.; Theodore Adams, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.

**WILLIAM PARKMAN, Winchester.** District No. 6. John H. Winchester, m.; Charles A. Lane, s.w.; Bolling G. Abercrombie, j.w.; Thomas S. Spurr, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, December.

**WILLIAMS, Williamstown.** District No. 14. Amos A. Belding, m.; Prescott W. Eaton, s.w.; Lorenzo Davis, j.w.; Frank T. Graham, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, first Wednesday in December.

**WILLIAM SUTTON, Saugus.** District No. 7. Fred C. Newhall, m.; Wm. E. Houghton, s.w.; Geo. B. Litchfield, j.w.; Benjamin H. Calley, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, November.

**WINSLOW LEWIS, Boston.** District No. 1. Daniel J. Strain, m.; William G. Shillaber, s.w.; Henry E. Cobb, j.w.; Percy E. Walbridge, s. Monthly meeting, second Friday; election, November.

**WINTHROP, Winthrop.** District No. 8. Sidney H. Griffin, m.; George F. Payne, s.w.; Edward B. Newton, j.w.; Lewis A. Wallon, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, October.

**WISDOM**, West Stockbridge. District No. 15. Chas. R. Van Buskirk, m.; Clayton A. Bissell, s.w.; Horace W. Blake, j.w.; Ward J. Langdon, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, December.

**WYOMING**, Melrose. District No. 7. Elisha B. Sears, m.; Oscar F. Frost, s.w.; Frank E. Orcutt, j.w.; George C. Stantial, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Wednesday; election, September.

**ZETLAND**, Boston. District No. 2. Horace A. Wallingford, m.; James W. Hinckley, s.w.; William M. Smith, j.w.; Arthur P. French, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, December.

- \*Elijah Crane, 1823.
- \*Samuel Thaxter, 1824-26.
- \*John Keyes, 1827, 28.
- \*Seth Sprague, Jr., 1829.
- \*Abraham A. Dame, 1830-32.
- \*William J. Whipple, 1833.
- \*Elias Haskell, 1834-36.
- \*Benjamin B. Appleton, 1837.
- \*Simon W. Robinson, 1838-40.
- \*Thomas Tolman, 1841-43.
- \*Robert Lash, 1844.
- \*Robert Keith, 1845.
- \*Edward A. Raymond, 1846-48.
- \*John J. Loring, 1849.
- \*Thomas M. Vinson, 1850, 51.
- \*William Ferson, 1852.
- \*Daniel Harwood, 1853.
- \*Richard S. Spofford, 1854.
- \*William C. Plunkett, 1855.
- \*John T. Heard, 1856.
- \*Bradford L. Wales, M.D., 1857.
- Henry Goddard, 1858.
- Lorenzo H. Gamwell, 1859.
- \*Joel Spalding, M.D., 1860.
- \*William North, 1861.
- \*Henry Chickering, 1862.
- †William C. Martin, 1863.
- \*William W. Baker, 1863 (June).
- \*William S. Gardner, 1864.

- \*Wendell T. Davis, 1865.
- \*William Sutton, 1866.
- \*Samuel P. Oliver, 1867.
- \*William F. Salmon, 1868.
- \*Ithamar F. Conkey, 1869.
- Samuel C. Lawrence, 1870.
- David W. Crafts, 1871.
- \*Charles Kimball, 1872.
- Henry Endicott, 1873.
- William T. Grammer, 1874.
- \*William J. Sawin, 1875.
- \*Abraham H. Howland, Jr., 1876.
- Daniel W. Lawrence, 1877.
- William H. Chessman, 1878.
- Solon W. Stevens, 1879.
- \*Charles W. Moody, 1880.
- \*F. Lyman Winship, 1881.
- William Babson, 1882.
- Charles M. Avery, 1883.
- \*Russell Matthews, 1884.
- Charles H. McClellan, 1885.
- William T. R. Marvin, 1886.
- Baalis Sanford, 1887.
- James M. Gleason, 1888.
- Andrew C. Stone, 1889.
- Charles H. Norris, 1890.
- Hiram O. Smith, 1891.
- Charles I. Litchfield, 1892.
- James Taylor, 1893.

#### PAST JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS.

- \*Paul Revere, 1777-79.
- \*Thomas Crafts, 1780.
- \*James Jackson, 1781.
- \*Edward Proctor, 1782.
- \*James Carter, 1783.
- \*John Juteau, 1784, 85.
- \*Moses M. Hays, 1786.
- \*Thomas Edwards, 1787, 88.
- \*Elisha Porter, 1789.
- \*Aaron Dexter, 1790-92.

- \*Mungo Mackay, 1793.
- \*Samuel Parkman, 1794.
- \*Richard Salter, 1795.
- \*Joseph Laughton, 1796, 97.
- \*William Little, 1798.
- \*John Boyle, 1799.
- \*Rev. Thad. M. Harris, D.D., 1800.
- \*Isaac Hurd, 1801, 1802.
- \*Timothy Bigelow, 1803.
- \*John Soley, 1804, 1805.

oel Bell, 1806, 1807.  
 ry Fowle, 1808.  
 cis J. Oliver, 1809.  
 er Prescott, 1810.  
 amin Russell, 1811, 12.  
 Abbot, 1813.  
 B. Hammatt, 1814.  
 ph Baker, 1815, 16.  
 h H. French, 1817.  
 es C. King, 1818.  
 ph Jenkins, 1819.  
 nas Cole, 1820.  
 h Crane, 1821, 22.  
 el Thaxter, 1823.  
 Keyes, 1824-26.  
 Mills, 1827.  
 y Purkitt, 1828.  
 ham A. Dame, 1829.  
 am J. Whipple, 1830-32.  
 es A. Dickson, 1833.  
 amin B. Appleton, 1834-36.  
 n W. Robinson, 1837.  
 ayton Pickman, 1838-40.  
 low Lewis, Sen., 1841-43.  
 nas Power, 1844.  
 Hews, 1845.  
 R. Bradford, 1846-48.  
 nas M. Vinson, 1849.  
 T. Newhall, 1850, 51.  
 am Eaton, 1851 (March).  
 Flint, 1852.  
 Benjamin Huntoon, 1853.  
 s A. Marshall, M.D., 1854.  
 el K. Hutchinson, 1855.  
 les R. Train, 1856.  
 H. Sheppard, 1857.  
 H. Wright, 1858.

\*Charles Robbins, 1859.  
 \*William D. Coolidge, 1860.  
 \*Jesse P. Pattee, 1861.  
 \*Peter C. Jones, 1862.  
 \*Daniel Reynolds, 1863.  
 Benjamin Dean, 1864.  
 1865. ¶  
 Wyzeman Marshall, 1866.  
 Henry Mulliken, 1867.  
 George H. Taber, 1868.  
 Ivory H. Pope, 1869.  
 \*Richard Briggs, 1870.  
 E. Waters Burr, 1871.  
 \*Tracy P. Cheever, 1872.  
 \*Joseph K. Baker, 1873.  
 Charles G. Reed, 1874.  
 \*Lucius W. Lovell, 1875.  
 Daniel Upton, 1876.  
 †Charles J. Danforth, 1877.  
 Edward Avery, 1877 (June).  
 Irving B. Sayles, 1878.  
 Henry G. Fay, 1879.  
 Otis E. Weld, 1880.  
 \*Nathan S. Kimball, 1881.  
 Charles C. Spellman, 1882.  
 Thomas W. Davis, 1883.  
 William H. H. Soule, 1884.  
 \*Albert H. Sweetser, 1885.  
 George W. Storer, 1886.  
 Charles Harris, 1887.  
 Dana J. Flanders, 1888.  
 Henry G. Wood, 1889.  
 George H. Rhodes, 1890.  
 Samuel B. Spooner, 1891.  
 J. Albert Blake, 1892.  
 Henry G. Jordan, 1893.

## GRAND TREASURERS.

(Not permanent members, *ex officio*.)

Lowell, 1777-84.  
 am Scollay, 1785-87.

\*Aaron Dexter, 1788, 89.  
 \*William Little, 1790-92, 95-97.

\*Samuel Parkman, 1793, 94.  
 \*Thomas Dennie, 1798.  
 \*Allen Crocker, 1799-1809.  
 \*Andrew Sigourney, 1810-19.  
 \*Elijah Morse, 1820-26.

\*John J. Loring, 1827-48.  
 \*Thomas Tolman, 1849-61.  
 †John McClellan, 1862-78.  
 Samuel Wells, 1879-87.  
 John Carr, 1888-

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\*Nathaniel Pierce, 1777.  
 \*William Hoskins, 1778-81.  
 \*Benjamin Coolidge, 1782-85.  
 \*John Welch, Jr., 1786.  
 \*George Richards, 1787.  
 \*Gabriel Helme, 1788.  
 \*John Jackson, 1789, 90.  
 \*Joseph Laughton, 1791, 92.  
 \*Thomas Farrington, 1793.  
 \*Samuel Colesworthy, 1794.

\*Daniel Oliver, 1795-1802.  
 \*John Proctor, 1803-11.  
 \*John Soley, 1812-19.  
 \*Thomas Power, 1820-33.  
 \*Charles W. Moore, 1834-67.  
 ‡Solon Thornton, 1868-71.  
 †§Rev. Charles H. Titus, 1871-7.  
 †Tracy P. Cheever, 1879-81.  
 Sereno D. Nickerson, 1882-

\* Deceased.

† Deceased while in office.

‡ This name was stricken from the roll by a vote of Grand Lodge, June 11, 1873.

‡ Resigned April 8, 1871.

§ Elected June 14, 1871.



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OF THE

WORTHFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED  
MASSONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR THE YEAR 1894.

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- " SIDNEY P. SMITH, Athol, D.D.G. Master, District No. 12.
- " DAVID T. REMINGTON, Northampton, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 13.
- " FRED. E. WHITE, North Adams, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 14.
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- " JAMES E. MCCREERY, Fall River, D.D.G.M., District No. 26.
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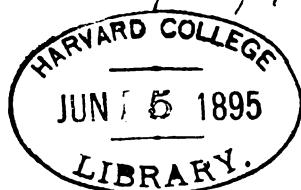
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OF THE

## GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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### QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

MARCH 14, A.L. 5394.

A QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF THE  
MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF  
ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held  
in the Masonic Temple, in the city of Boston, on  
Wednesday, the fourteenth day of March, A.L.  
5394, A.D. 1894.

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The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPL FORM, at two o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Rev. John Cuckson, Grand Chaplain.

The Records of the Quarterly Communication, December 13, and the Stated Communication, December 27, 1893, being in print, the reading was dispensed with.

#### PROXIES RECOGNIZED.

Proxies from the following-named Lodges were presented, and, being found in form, the Brethren designated were duly recognized:

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE, China, in favor of W. Bro. Rowell B. Lawrence.

ATHELSTAN LODGE, Worcester, in favor of W. Bro. Horace Ball.

BLUE HILL LODGE, Canton, in favor of R.W. Bro. Francis D. Dunbar.

CORNER-STONE LODGE, Duxbury, in favor of W. Bro. Elnathan Delano.

DEWITT CLINTON LODGE, Sandwich, in favor of Bro. Theodore Southack.

EZEKIEL BATES LODGE, Attleboro', in favor of W. Bro. Benj. P. King.

GRECIAN LODGE, Lawrence, in favor of Bro. Arthur D. Marble.

HARMONY LODGE, Northfield, in favor of W. Bro. Frank E. Timpson.

HYDE PARK LODGE, Hyde Park, in favor of W. Bro. James F. Moor.

JOHN CUTLER LODGE, Abington, in favor of W. Bro. Joseph F. French.

JOHN WARREN LODGE, Hopkinton, in favor of Bro. John C. Stone.

KING DAVID LODGE, Taunton, in favor of W. Bro. Marcus A. Barry.

LIBERTY LODGE, Beverly, in favor of W. Bro. Isaac H. Edgett.

MARINE LODGE, Falmouth, in favor of W. Bro. Prince D. Swift.

MAY FLOWER LODGE, Middleboro', in favor of W. Bro. Benj. F.ripp.

MERRIMACK LODGE, Haverhill, in favor of W. Bro. James H.sgood.

MONITOR LODGE, Waltham, in favor of W. Bro. Alonzo S. Locke.

MORNING SUN LODGE, Conway, in favor of R. W. Bro. Charles Parsons.

MONTGOMERY LODGE, Milford, in favor of W. Bro. Clifford A. Cook.

MOUNT HERMON LODGE, Medford, in favor of R.W. Bro. Wm. Lawrence.

NARRAGANSETT LODGE, Fall River, in favor of W. Bro. Abijah Luscomb.

NORTH STAR LODGE, Ashland, in favor of W. Bro. Granville C.iske.

PHENIX LODGE, Hanover, in favor of Bro. Frank H. Waterman.

PLYMOUTH LODGE, Plymouth, in favor of W. Bro. Henry H.itchfield.



QUINSIGAMOND LODGE, Worcester, in favor of R.W. Bro. Theodore C. Bates.

RISING STAR LODGE, Stoughton, in favor of R.W. Bro. George F. Walker.

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SAINT PAUL LODGE, Ayer, in favor of W. Bro. E. Dana Bancroft.

SATUIT LODGE, Scituate, in favor of W. Bro. Nehemiah T. Merritt.

SILLOAM LODGE, Westboro', in favor of Bro. Frank W. Bullard.

UNION LODGE, Nantucket, in favor of R.W. Bro. Henry Paddock.

WEBSTER LODGE, WEBSTER, in favor of R.W. Bro. Elias P. Morton.

WILLIAM SUTTON LODGE, Saugus, in favor of Bro. R.W. Henry J. Mills.

#### PETITION FROM JOHN T. HEARD LODGE.

The following letter was read by the Recording Grand Secretary:

IPSWICH, MASS., March 12, 1894.

SERENO D. NICKERSON, *Recording Grand Secretary*:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER: On the morning of January 13th, John T. Heard Lodge-rooms were entirely destroyed by fire. All our property, with the exception of our Records, was lost. The Charter, which was in the same safe with the Records, was destroyed by the heat.

I, therefore, as Master of John T. Heard Lodge, respectfully petition that such action, as may be necessary, be taken at the next Quarterly Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, to renew our Charter.

Very respectfully yours,

GEO. W. STARKEY, W.M.

Upon motion of the Recording Grand Secretary, it was *Voted*, That a copy of the original Charter of John T. Heard Lodge be furnished without charge.

#### INSTALLATION OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

The following-named Brethren, having been unable to be present at the Stated Communication on the 27th of December last, were now installed in AMPLE FORM in their respective offices:

R.W. JOSEPH H. GLEASON . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 3.
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" LESTER H. CUDWORTH . . . .	" " " " 19.
" OLIVER H. LINNELL . . . . .	" " " " 28.

#### REPORT ON AMENDMENT AS TO DUAL MEMBERSHIP.

R.W. Charles Harris presented the following report, which was accepted, and the Amendment, as recommended, was unanimously adopted :

IN GRAND LODGE, March 14, 1894.

The Committee to whom was referred the proposed amendment to Part V., Section 13, respectfully submit the following report and recommendation.

Section 13 of Part V., as it now stands, restricts a Brother from being a member of more than one Lodge.

The proposed amendment removes this restriction to the extent of giving him the privilege of holding at the same time membership in a foreign Lodge.

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The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLIFIED FORM, at two o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Rev. John Cuckson, Grand Chaplain.

The Records of the Quarterly Communication, December 13, and the Stated Communication, December 27, 1893, being in print, the reading was dispensed with.

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LD COLONY . . . . .	George S. Marsh . . .	Master.
	Walter B. Foster . . .	Junior Warden.
LIVE BRANCH . . . .	Aug. S. Winter . . . .	Master.
RANGE . . . . .	Charles A. Towne . . .	Master.
	Fred N. Johnson . . .	Senior Warden.
	Herbert J. Powers . .	Junior Warden.
PHAN'S HOPE . . . .	William T. Rice . . .	Senior Warden.
	William Humphrey . .	Proxy.
ENIX . . . . .	Joseph F. Stetson . .	Junior Warden.
LGIM . . . . .	Charles E. Hamer . . .	Master.
YMOUTH . . . . .	Clark Ellis . . . . .	Master.
	C. Fred Howe . . . . .	Senior Warden.
	Alfred S. Burbank . .	Junior Warden.
	Henry H. Litchfield .	Proxy.
RITAN . . . . .	Joseph D. Benson . . .	Master.
	E. Alden Dyer . . . .	Senior Warden.
	George L. Paine . . . .	Junior Warden.
BBONI . . . . .	Charles F. Kelly . . .	Master.
PUBLICAN . . . . .	Charles A. Wheeler . .	Master.
VERE . . . . .	George E. Reed . . . .	Master.
	Charles H. Ramsay . .	Senior Warden.
SING STAR . . . . .	George F. Walker . . .	Proxy.
RAL . . . . .	James M. Cutting . . .	Junior Warden.
INT GEORGE . . . . .	Merton E. Holmes . . .	Master.
	Myron L. Keith . . . .	Junior Warden.

ST. JOHN'S (Boston)	William A. Carrie	Senior Warden.
ST. JOHN'S (Newb'yp't)	J. Willard Ballou	Senior Warden.
ST. MARK'S	Thomas T. Upton	Senior Warden.
ST. PAUL	E. Dana Bancroft	Proxy.
SATUCKET	Charles F. Mann	Junior Warden.
SATUIT	John Whalen	Master.
	Wm. H. Sampson	Junior Warden.
	Nehemiah T. Merritt	Proxy.
SILOAM	Geo. G. Genthner	Junior Warden.
SIMON W. ROBINSON	George W. Sampson	Master.
	Frank H. Locke	Junior Warden.
SOCIAL HARMONY	Benjamin Waters	Senior Warden.
STAR	John E. French	Master.
STAR IN THE EAST	Peleg H. S. W. Allen	Master.
	John L. G. Mason	Senior Warden.
	Henry N. West	Junior Warden.
STAR OF BETHLEHEM	Charles B. Burleigh	Junior Warden.
TRINITY	Geo. B. Dinsmore	Senior Warden.
	Samuel C. Damon	Junior Warden.
TYRIAN	Joseph H. Rowe	Master.
UNITED BRETHREN	George B. Copeland	Master.
WASHINGTON	Albert E. Carr	Master.
WEBSTER	Elias P. Morton	Proxy.
WILLIAM PARKMAN	John H. Winchenbach	Master.
WILLIAM SUTTON	Fred C. Newhall	Master.
	Henry J. Mills	Proxy.
WINSLOW LEWIS	Daniel J. Strain	Master.
WINTHROP	Sidney H. Griffin	Master.
WYOMING	Elisha B. Sears	Master.
	Oscar F. Frost	Senior Warden.
ZETLAND	Horace A. Wallingford	Master.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FORM at two o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Rev. John Cuckson, Grand Chaplain.

The reading of the Records of the Quarterly Communication of March 14, 1894, was dispensed with.

## PROXIES RECOGNIZED.

Proxies from the following-named Lodges were presented, and, being found in form, the Brethren designated were duly recognized:

BETHANY LODGE, Merrimac, in favor of W. Bro. William F. Ward.

FELLOWSHIP LODGE, Bridgewater, in favor of W. Bro. Warren A. Churchill.

GATE OF THE TEMPLE LODGE, Boston, in favor of W. Bro. Charles H. Kimball.

ISAAC PARKER LODGE, Waltham, in favor of Bro. Frank E. Wells.

KONOHASSETT LODGE, Cohasset, in favor of W. Bro. Edward E. Ellms.

MONTACUTE LODGE, Worcester, in favor of W. Bro. George M. Rice, 2d.

MOUNT HERMON LODGE, Medford, in favor of R.W. Bro. William B. Lawrence.

ORPHAN'S HOPE LODGE, East Weymouth, in favor of W. Bro. William Humphrey.

PURITAN LODGE, Whitman, in favor of W. Bro. Edward Keating.

SATUCKET LODGE, East Bridgewater, in favor of W. Bro. Frederic S. Strong.

SOLOMON'S TEMPLE LODGE, Uxbridge, in favor of W. Bro. Daniel W. Taft.

TRINITY LODGE, Clinton, in favor of R.W. Bro. Charles A. Bartlett.

## AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS OF NORFOLK UNION LODGE.

The Recording Grand Secretary presented an amendment to the By-Laws of Norfolk Union Lodge, adopted at its Monthly Communication



in March last, and designed for the reduction of the fees for the degrees from forty-five to thirty-five dollars. He stated that the latter sum was the amount charged by the neighboring Lodges, and Norfolk Union Lodge asked to be allowed to place itself on an equality with them in that respect. Upon his motion the amendment was unanimously approved.

#### APPROPRIATION FOR CHARITY.

Upon motion of Bro. Z. L. Bicknell it was *Voted*, That the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for the use of the Committee on Charity, to be disbursed under the supervision of the Board of Directors.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS AND CHARTERS.

R.W. Frank T. Dwinell, in behalf of the Committee on By-Laws and Charters, presented the following report, which was accepted and ordered to be spread upon the Records:

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, June 13, 1894.

The Committee on Charters and By-Laws have approved, with necessary changes, the full code of Greylock Lodge, of North Adams, and amendments to Brigham Lodge, of Ludlow. The Committee have also approved, without change,

amendments to Ancient York Lodge, of Lowell; La Fayette Lodge, of Roxbury; Montgomery Lodge, of Milford; Starr King Lodge, of Salem; and Revere Lodge, of Boston.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ENDICOTT,

FRANK T. DWINELL,

HENRY G. FAY,

*Committee on By-Laws and Charters.*

PROPOSED REVISION OF PART IV., ART. III., OF GRAND CONSTITUTIONS.

The Recording Grand Secretary stated that the Revision of Part IV., Article III., of the Grand Constitutions, as presented at the last Quarterly Communication, had been objected to by several Brethren, who desired further time for consideration of the subject and for the preparation of amendments. It was thereupon *Voted*, That action upon the proposed Revision be postponed until the Quarterly Communication in September next, and that any amendments which might be placed in the hands of the Recording Grand Secretary within one week from this date should also be in order for action at said September Communication. In accordance with this vote amendments were presented, within the time specified, as follows:

bring a suit against the party complained of, received \$5,000, in settlement of the same, and gave him a full discharge under seal, dated March 4, 1890. He afterward sued for a subsequent offence, alleged to have been committed on the twentieth day of May, 1892, but of this alleged offence no proof appeared, although an attempt was made to offer such proof. The accused denying this offence and alleging that he, wishing to avoid having the whole matter come before a jury, when of course the first offence would have been made public, paid the complainant \$1,000 additional, and received a release, to be of no effect in case of any future misconduct of a similar character. He is now employed in the same capacity and by the same party as before the trouble commenced.

The Commissioners, considering that there was not the slightest evidence that the accused, when having connection with this woman, knew her to be the wife of Master Mason; that she was then living apart from her husband, and has ever since lived apart from him and unsupported by him; that the husband cannot be supposed to have had, under these circumstances, any special interest in her conduct, and that the accused has already somewhat severely suffered for his offence by the payment of \$6,000, are of opinion that a private reproof will be sufficient punishment.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. WELCH,  
S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE,  
CHARLES T. GALLAGHER,

*For the Commissioners of Trials.*



## CIPHER OF THE RITUAL.

The Recording Grand Secretary stated that he had recently come to his knowledge that a new key, or cipher, purporting to contain the Ritual of this Grand Lodge, had been put in circulation in Boston and vicinity, and that he deemed it his duty to bring the matter to the attention of the Grand Lodge. He produced a copy, and said that a very slight examination of it would satisfy any member of the Grand Lodge, that only two Brethren could have had access to our Ritual, as at present preserved, sufficiently often and sufficiently long to have been able to prepare for the press, and to correct the proof of such a version. As one of those two Brethren, he desired to declare, in the most positive and emphatic manner, that not the slightest thought or suggestion of such work, had ever occurred to him until this copy had been placed in his hands. He trusted that the most vigorous measures would be adopted by the Grand Lodge to expose the guilty party.

Thereupon, R.W. Charles C. Dame offered the following vote, which was unanimously adopted :

*Voted*, That a committee of five members of the Grand Lodge, be appointed to investigate forthwith the alleged preparation and circulation of a key, or cipher, of the Ritual of this Grand Lodge, with instructions to use the utmost exertions to ferret out the guilty parties, and report at the next Quarterly Communication; and that said committee have full authority to summon any and all Brethren who they may have cause to believe to have knowledge in regard to the preparation or circulation of said key or cipher.

The following-named Brethren were appointed as said Committee :

R.W. CHARLES C. DAME, of Newburyport,  
W. CHARLES T. GALLAGHER, of South Boston,  
R.W. CHARLES G. REED, of Worcester,  
R.W. GEORGE H. RHODES, of Taunton, and  
W. WILLIAM WHITE, of Boston.

#### PROPOSAL FOR A PERMANENT CHARITY FUND.

R.W. Theodore C. Bates, presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*: That there be a committee of ten appointed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, to consider the advisability of having the Grand Lodge take the necessary action to secure the establishment of a Permanent Charity Fund, by each of the different Lodges in this jurisdiction by the payment to the Treasurer of the Lodge of one dollar per year by each member thereof, one-half of which

amount shall be retained by the Lodge, and made the basis of a Permanent Charity Fund, and one-half to be paid to the Masonic Education and Charity Trust.

That this arrangement be effective for a term of ten years, or longer, as may be deemed best.

That no part of the money so paid in to the respective Lodges, shall be used during the first ten years; but that the income of such fund, in cases of emergency, may be devoted to charity purposes, by a vote of not less than three-fourths of those present and voting at any regular meeting of the Lodge.

The following-named Brethren were appointed as said Committee: R.W. Bros. Theodore C. Bates, Edwin B. Holmes, Edward P. Chapin, Andrew C. Stone, George H. Rhodes, Isaac A. S. Steele, Sidney P. Smith, Edward R. Price, Fred E. White, and W. Bro. Charles T. Gallagher.

#### CLOSING.

No further business being presented, prayer was offered by W. Rev. John Cuckson, Grand Chaplain, and the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM, at fifty minutes after two o'clock P.M.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno D. Nickerson*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT NORTH ATTLEBORO'.

JUNE 16, A.L. 5894.

### LAYING CORNER-STONE OF RICHARDS' MEMORIAL LIBRARY.

**A** SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT  
FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in the town of North Attleboro', on Saturday, the sixteenth day of June, A.L. 5894, A.D. 1894, for the purpose of laying the Corner-stone of the Richards' Memorial Library.

#### GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. EDWIN B. HOLMES . . .	as Grand Master.
" WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . .	as Deputy Grand Master.
" HENRY G. FAY . . .	as Senior Grand Warden.
" CHARLES S. ROBERTSON . .	Junior Grand Warden.
" THOMAS W. DAVIS . . .	as Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON . .	Recording Grand Secretary.
" SOLON R. WRIGHT . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 1.
W. REV. S. STANLEY SEARING .	as Grand Chaplain.
" GEORGE H. RHODES . . .	as Grand Marshal.
" ALBERT L. HARWOOD . . .	Senior Grand Steward.
" J. ALFRED MESSINGER . . .	Junior Grand Steward.
" WALTER F. LANSIL . . .	Grand Sword-Bearer.
Bro. JOHN H. CHESTER . . .	Grand Tyler.
" THOMAS M. CARTER . . .	Grand Cornetist.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FORM, in one of the ante-rooms adjoining the Hall of Bristol Lodge, at two o'clock P.M.

A procession was then formed under the escort of Bristol Lodge, and conducted to the site of the new building.

The exercises were opened with an overture by Hedley's National Band, and the singing, by the Temple Quartet, of the hymn commencing,

"Great Architect of earth and heaven."

R.W. Edward R. Price then addressed the Deputy Grand Master as follows:

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, BROTHERS, AND FELLOW-CITIZENS: The occasion which calls us together can hardly be over-estimated in the importance of its influence upon the welfare of this community.

The benefits of such institutions, as that of which we to-day erect the corner-stone, are so sure, so broad, and so far-reaching into the future that no measure of them is within the scope of the human mind. To those and their descendants to whose thrift, industry, self-denial, and ultimate wisdom and generosity are due such enterprises as this which we to-day assist in establishing, we feel that the ordinary words of praise and thankfulness are inadequate to express the gratitude of our hearts, and we look to the generations to come to show, by their wise care of the gift

now bestowed, a more satisfying appreciation of its great value.

We must not at this time give way to the impulse to enlarge upon a theme so full of suggestion to this people, and, in order that the business upon which we are engaged may proceed without delay, I now, in behalf of the donors of this structure and the citizens of this town, request you, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, to lay, with the forms and ceremonies of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Corner-stone of this "Richard Memorial Library."

The ceremony then proceeded in accordance with the Ritual of this Grand Lodge as previously used on similar occasions.

The following is a list of the contents of the box.

Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Proceedings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F.

A.M., of Massachusetts: Quarterly Communication, Dec. 13, 1893, Stated Communication, Dec. 27, 1893.

Organization of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 1894.

By-Laws of Bristol Lodge, A.F. & A.M.

Organization of Bristol Lodge, A.F. & A.M., North Attleborough, Mass., 1894.

By-Laws Bristol Masonic Relief Association, North Attleborough, Mass.



By-Laws Bristol Commandery, No. 29 K.T., North Attleborough, Mass.

Organization Bristol Commandery, North Attleborough, Mass., 1894.

Organization of St. Alban's Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Foxborough, Mass., 1894.

Organization of Key Stone Royal Arch Chapter, Foxborough, Mass., 1894.

Organization of St. James Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Mansfield, Mass., 1894.

Organization of Ezekiel Bates Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Attleborough, Mass., 1894.

Organization of King Hiram Royal Arch Chapter, Attleborough, Mass., 1894.

Biographical sketch of Edward Richards, first of the name in Attleborough, Ira Richards, and Edmund Ira Richards.

Photographs of Mrs. Fanny D. Richards, Edmund Ira Richards, Mrs. Edmund Ira Richards, Mrs. Anna Richards Tweedy, Miss Harriet Tingley Richards, Mr. Edmund Ira Richards, Mr. John A. Tweedy, Mr. John Edmund Tweedy, the only grandchild.

Copies of papers containing obituaries.

A record written by Miss Harriet T. Richards.

Sealed Envelope, addressed, "To whom it may concern in future years."

History of the Library by B. Porter, Jr.

Catalogue of Books in the Public Library of the Town of North Attleborough, 1891.

Copies of the Correspondence between the Donors and Selectmen.

Seventh Annual Report of the Town of North Attleborough,  
Mass., 1894.

Copy of "Evening Chronicle," June 5, 1894.

Copy "North Attleborough Advertiser," May 31, 1894.

Copy "Evening Chronicle," June 15, 1894.

Copy "Attleborough Daily Sun," June 14, 1894.

Copy "Providence Journal," June 16, 1894.

Order of Exercises for the Laying of the Corner-stone.

List of the contents of the box.

The working tools having been presented to the Architect, the R.W. Deputy Grand Master addressed the assembly as follows:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND CITIZENS OF NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH,—  
The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Massachusetts, is present on this occasion, in response to your invitation and in accordance with a time-honored custom, and has laid "square, level, and plumb," the Corner-stone of the proposed edifice.

Our Fraternity is in sympathy with all that makes for the public good, and is opposed to social disorder and industrial tumult. Whatever is for the social, educational, or moral uplifting of the people, — and brings content, joy and prosperity to our homes, — this Fraternity from time immemorial has approved. Whatever is for the universal good, that helps to educate the masses, that brings the different classes of men to a common ground, that makes for the betterment of our race, — this Brotherhood gives to it its cordial support. It stands for progress and peace.



The public ceremonies, which have attended the laying of this Corner-stone have come down to us hallowed by custom and tradition. Through the ages, men have gathered to perform special service at the commencement of a new temple, cathedral, or edifice, and consecrated with corn, wine, and oil, with ritual and prayers, the corner-stone of the proposed structure. In this there has been a recognition of the fact, that these edifices were intended to serve high and holy purposes, — to be sacred to the highest interests of man, — so to-day we lay this stone, believing that this library building will serve holy purposes in serving the needs and contributing to the pleasure of the people in this town.

In the consecration of this stone we have used the Masonic elements, — corn, wine, and oil. Their use in such service is of the highest antiquity. They were the chief productions of eastern countries, they constituted largely the people's wealth, and David enumerates, corn, wine, and oil among the greatest blessings enjoyed. These elements are symbols of great significance to us. "Wherefore, my brethren," says Dr. T. M. Harris in his Masonic Discourses, "wherefore do you carry corn, wine, and oil, in your processions, but to remind you that, in the pilgrimage of human life, you are to impart a portion of your bread to the hungry, send a cup of your wine to cheer the sorrowful, and to pour the healing oil of your consolation into the wounds which sickness hath made in the bodies, or affliction rent in the hearts of your fellow-travellers."

We bring these elements into this consecration service, symbolizing the strength, satisfaction, and delight which shall mark the completion of this work. Freely we pour of

our symbols upon this stone, freely and abundantly may the blessing of Heaven descend upon the enterprise this day so auspiciously begun.

May this Corner-stone safely rest, a symbol of the permanence of truth and justice.

May the edifice which shall stand upon and over it, pass through its several stages of erection, until the cope-stone of its completion shall be brought forth with "joy and gladness."

May the completed edifice, the Richards' Memorial Library, stand, not simply an ornament to this town, but as the means of great good; may it perpetuate the memory of the virtues of that family whose name it bears, and stand as a monument of filial regard and affection.

May its grandest purpose be fully achieved in the continued blessings bestowed upon the present and future generations which shall seek its benefits.

The usual proclamation was made by the Grand Marshal, the benediction was pronounced by the Grand Chaplain, and the procession returned to the Hall of Bristol Lodge, where the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM at half-past three o'clock P.M.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereus D. Nickerson*

*Recording Grand Secretary*

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT NAHANT.

JULY 23, A.L. 5894.

LAYING CORNER-STONE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY BUILDING.

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
 A WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT  
 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COM-  
 MONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in  
 the town of Nahant, on Monday, the twenty-  
 third day of July, A.L. 5894, A.D. 1894, for  
 the purpose of laying the Corner-stone of a  
 Public Library Building.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. EDWIN B. HOLMES . . . as Grand Master.  
 " WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . . as Deputy Grand Master.  
 " HENRY G. FAY . . . as Senior Grand Warden.  
 " CHARLES I. LITCHFIELD . . as Junior Grand Warden.  
 " WILLIAM H. CHESSMAN . . . Past Grand Warden.  
 " HENRY G. JORDAN . . . as Grand Treasurer.  
 " SERENO D. NICKERSON . . . Recording Grand Secretary.  
 " S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . . Corresponding Grand Secretary.  
 W. REV. JOHN CUCKSON, }  
 " REV. EDWARD A. HORTON, } Grand Chaplains.  
 " CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . . Grand Marshal.  
 " HENRY K. DUNTON . . . as Senior Grand Deacon.  
 " HENRY S. ROWE . . . Junior Grand Deacon.  
 " J. ALFRED MESSINGER, }  
 " CHARLES T. BURR, } Grand Stewards.  
 " Z. L. BICKNELL . . . Grand Standard-Bearer.  
 " WALTER F. LANSIL . . . Grand Sword-Bearer.  
 Bro. SETH T. DAME . . . as Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FORM in a building adjacent to the steamboat landing, at forty-five minutes after one o'clock P.M.

A procession was formed, and, under the escort of Mount Carmel and Golden Fleece Lodges, of Lynn, was conducted to the site of the new building.

The exercises were opened with an overture by the Lynn Brass Band, and the singing by the Mendelssohn Quartet of the hymn commencing —

“ Great Architect of earth and heaven.”

The chairman of the Board of Selectmen and of the Trustees of the Public Library Bro. Edward J. Johnson, requested the Deputy Grand Master, in behalf of those Bodies, to lay the Corner-stone of the Public Library Building in accordance with Masonic form and usage. To this request the Deputy Grand Master made an appropriate response

The ceremony then proceeded in accordance with the Ritual of this Grand Lodge as heretofore used on similar occasions.

The following is a list of papers, etc., placed in the Corner-stone.

- . Trustees' and Librarian's reports of the Nahant Public Library, since 1872.
- . Samples of cards, notices, etc., used in the Library.
- . Forty-first annual report of the Town of Nahant.
- . List of Town officers for the year 1894.
- . Sample tax-bill and Assessors' warrant to Treasurer.
- . A checked voting list of the State election, 1893.
- . A copy of the first voting list ever used in Nahant.
- . A duplicate of the contract for the new Public Library Building.
- . A copy of papers relating to the establishment of the Library in 1819.
- 0. A program of the Order of Exercises at the laying of the Corner-stone.
- 1. Histories, list of officers, etc., of the three churches of Nahant.
- 2. List of officers, etc., of the Y.M.C. Association of Nahant.
- 3. Statement of the Nahant Mutual Benefit Association.
- 4. Complete set of business cards of the trades and professions represented in Nahant.
- 5. Autograph Letters of prominent residents of Nahant.
- 6. A complete record of the Memorial Day Services, 1894.
- 7. The Social organizations of Nahant.  
     The Nahant Club.  
     The Nahant Friday Night Club, etc.
- . A list of members of the General Lander Post, No. 5, G.A.R.

19. List of officers, samples of cheques, etc., of the Bank of Lynn.
20. Engravings of Joseph Johnson and Caleb Johnson.
21. New Testament and Book of Common Prayer; presented by Rev. J. E. Johnson.
22. One pound of note-paper.
23. Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and Table of Masonic Districts, etc.
24. Statement of the Committee on Corner-stone Ceremony.

The working tools having been presented to the Architect, the R.W. Deputy Grand Master addressed the assembly as follows:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND CITIZENS OF NAHANT: In response to an invitation, extended by the civil authorities of the town, the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is present to lay, in due and ancient form, the corner-stone of a Public Library Building. That duty has been performed, and our Fraternity will regard with interest, the erection, completion, and occupancy of the new structure, whose purpose will be the pleasure and education of the people who are so fortunate as to reside within the limits of this town. It is one of the smallest, though not the least among the towns of our Commonwealth; being less than a square mile in area, it is small; but being over seven millions of dollars in valuation, it ranks among the important towns of our State.



We have just passed the so-called four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus. Four hundred years have passed since he discovered islands lying at the southeast of us, but his feet never touched the continent of North America. It is interesting now to note the fact that we look out upon waves, where the Norseman sailed nearly nine hundred years ago, and we tread to-day the same promontory, where the Viking landed in the year 1005 of the Christian era. Thorwold, the brave Admiral from the North, looking out from his vessel upon this sea-washed promontory, four hundred years before Columbus was born, remarked, "Here it is beautiful, and here I should like to fix my dwelling." His wish was gratified, but not in the sense he desired. This became his dwelling-place, and somewhere beneath our feet, unless washed away by the restless tide, the remains of Thorwold rest. For, when mortally wounded, he said, "This is my death blow; I desire you to depart as soon as possible, but first take my body to the shore and bring it upon the promontory before you, where I had intended to make my abode. I shall now dwell there forever."

For nine hundred years this promontory has been a known land; voyageurs have repeatedly visited it. They have indicated it upon their maps. "Before Blackstone had made his home at Boston, settlers were tilling the soil of Nahant," and the conquest of a continent had begun.

This therefore is an interesting spot, and the flood of historic memories which rises here makes much more interesting the incident that brings us together here to-day.

Our Fraternity, whose history reaches back into the deepest shadows of the past, shares your pride in the history of this promontory, and rejoices with you that the Indian and his wigwam have passed away, and that the homes of comfort, means of education, and the blessings of civil and religious liberty have succeeded them.

Freemasonry is wedded to the public good. It favors whatever helps to make better men, better citizens, and more intelligent communities. It seeks to foster, strengthen and perpetuate the school, the state, the nation, and every means of moral progress. It is opposed to sedition, tumult, discord, and to every wilful violation of established law, whether by the individual, by a race, or by an organization.

The purposes for which this proposed building stands are in heartiest accord with Masonic teachings. Education and good government are intimately related. Ignorance disintegrates all governments. Free public schools and free public libraries are bulwarks of our free government.

It is eminently fitting that we assemble here to-day to lay the Corner-stone of this Public Library Building, because the structure will stand through the passing years, a means of education, and a bulwark of freedom. Its increasing facilities will multiply the opportunities which lead to more useful lives.

It is no small credit to this town, that since 1850 when the first appropriation for the library was made, the town, until this time, the annual appropriation in its behalf has invariably been made by a unanimous vote, and



also that the forty thousand dollars appropriated for this new building were unanimously voted. If the interest of the citizens in this institution shall continue, if, with the same unanimity, it is cherished, the good accomplished, not alone for those living, but for the generations which will follow us, will be beyond our computation.

The Corner-stone of this edifice has been duly tried, and is square, level, and plumb. These are, however, but symbols. In the years to come, the real value of this building and of the institution itself, will be tried by the square of virtue, the level of equal rights, and by the plumb of uprightness. May every trial prove the perfection of the building, and the wise administration of the institution.

May no harm come to the workmen, while from quarry or woods they shall prepare the materials for this edifice and raise them to their appointed places. While the waves shall dash upon this shore, may this building and institution stand, a moral light-house, sending forth cheerful beams into every home. May they be a centre of interest and influence in this town, devoted to noble ends, achieving grand purposes, and may the blessing of the Supreme Architect rest upon them now, henceforth, and always.

At the conclusion of the Deputy Grand Master's Address, the usual proclamation was made by the Grand Marshal, the benediction was pronounced by the Junior Grand Chaplain,

and the procession returned to the place of opening, where the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM, at four o'clock P.M.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereus D. Nickerson*  
Recording Grand Secretary.

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

SEPTEMBER 12, A.L. 5894.

A QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at the Masonic Temple, in the city of Boston, on Wednesday, the twelfth day of September, A.L. 5894, A.D. 1894.

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" HENRY B. CHANDLER . . . .	" " " " 4.
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" CHAUNCEY S. RICHARDS . . .	" " " " 8.
" ISAAC A. S. STEELE . . . . .	" " " " 9.
" CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD . . .	" " " " 10.
" FRANK L. WEAVER . . . . .	" " " " 11.
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" FRED E. WHITE . . . . .	" " " " 14.
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"	SAMUEL WELLS	. . . .	" " "
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"	CHARLES H. NORRIS	. . . .	" " "

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	Charles F. Mann . . .	Junior Warden.
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	George H. Earl . . .	Proxy.
STAR . . . . .	John E. French . . .	Master.
STAR IN THE EAST .	Peleg H. S. W. Allen .	Master.
	John L. G. Mason . . .	Senior Warden.
	Henry N. West . . .	Junior Warden.
TARR KING . . . .	Joseph Darling . . .	Master.
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	Harry G. Howe . . .	Junior Warden.
UNION (Nantucket) .	Henry Paddack . . .	Proxy.
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WARREN . . . . .	Elmer E. Sanborn . . .	Senior Warden.
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WILLIAM NORTH . . .	Harry K. Boardman . .	Master.
WILLIAM PARKMAN . .	John H. Winchenbach .	Master.

WILLIAM SUTTON . . .	Fred C. Newhall . . .	Master.
	Henry J. Mills . . .	Proxy.
WINSLOW LEWIS . . .	Daniel J. Strain . . .	Master.
WINTHROP . . . . .	Sidney H. Griffin . . .	Master.
	George F. Payne . . .	Senior Warden.
ZETLAND . . . . .	Horace A. Wallingford	Master.

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPL FORM, at two o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Bro. Z. L. Bicknell.

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the Records of the following-named Communication Quarterly, at Boston, June 13; Special, at North Attleboro', June 16; Special, at Nahant, July 2, 1894.

#### PROXIES RECOGNIZED.

Proxies from the following-named Lodges were presented, and, being found in form, the Brethren designated were duly recognized:

BRIGHAM LODGE, Ludlow, in favor of Bro. James B. Knowlton  
LA FAYETTE LODGE, Roxbury, in favor of W. Bro. Henry Gore.

MT. CARMEL LODGE, Lynn, in favor of W. Bro. Charles E. Cha  
PAUL DEAN LODGE, North Easton, in favor of R.W. Bro. John Swain.

SOCIAL HARMONY LODGE, Wareham, in favor of R.W. Bro. George H. Earl.

#### PRESENTATION OF BURIAL LOT.

The Recording Grand Secretary read the following letter:

Boston, May 19, 1894.

OTIS E. WELD, Esq., *Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts:*

DEAR SIR AND MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER: Wishing to acknowledge, and with a desire to reciprocate, the many courtesies received from the Craft, I am prompted to present to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts the enclosed deed of a Burial Lot in Mount Hope Cemetery for the benefit of the Masonic Fraternity, and to be used at the discretion and under the direction of the Grand Lodge.

A suitable monument will be erected thereon at an early date.

Fraternally and courteously yours,

JOHN H. COLLAMORE.

This letter was accompanied by a deed, duly executed, of Lot No. 1969, containing 3,500 square feet, in Mount Hope Cemetery, in the city of Boston, and a receipt for a permanent deposit, to be used for the perpetual care of the Lot.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Dame, it was *Voted*, That this generous and valuable gift be accepted, and that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be returned to the donor.

## INSTALLATION OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master announced that R.W. Thomas M. Durell had felt compelled, by the pressure of other duties, to resign his commission as District Deputy Grand Master for the Sixth Masonic District, and the vacancy had been filled by the appointment of W. Brother Quincy Bicknell, Jr., of Lexington. Brother Bicknell was thereupon installed in his new office in AMPLE FORM.

## APPROPRIATION FOR CHARITY.

On motion of Wor. Walter F. Lansil, it was *Voted*, That the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for the use of the Committee on Charity, to be disbursed under the supervision of the Board of Directors.

## PETITION FOR RESTORATION.

R.W. Charles A. Welch presented the following petition, which was referred to a committee consisting of R.W. Samuel Wells and W. Brothers Walter F. Lansil, and Daniel J. Strain.

Boston, Aug. 20, 1894.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Massachusetts:*

On Dec. 9, 1891, I was expelled from Masonry on the report of the Commissioners of Trials. Since then I have been employed in a responsible position by the same parties who previously employed me, and I am now so employed. I have lived a good and honorable life, and in a manner conformable to the rules of the Fraternity, as I am ready to prove.

I also believe that the President of the Commissioners of Trials is ready to testify that my conduct, since said Dec. 9, 1891, has been such as to merit approbation.

I therefore respectfully petition this Grand Lodge that I may be restored to the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Yours truly,

HENRY J. LINDLEY.

#### REPORT ON AMENDMENT TO GRAND CONSTITUTIONS.

R.W. Frank T. Dwinell, in behalf of the committee, submitted the following report, which was accepted and its recommendations were unanimously adopted.

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, Sept. 12, 1894.

The Committee on Charters and By-Laws, to whom was referred the proposed Revision of Part IV., Art. III., of the Grand Constitutions, as presented at the Quarterly

Communication in March last, together with amendments to said Revision proposed at the Quarterly Communication in June last, have carefully considered the same, and beg leave to report:

First, on the first amendment to amend Section 4 by striking out in the third line the words "other than the one to which he first applied;" also striking out in the fourth line the words "at any time," and by inserting the words "shall any candidate be proposed in any Lodge, other than the one to which he first applied, without a written recommendation," etc.

The effect of this is to require an interval of six months after the rejection of a candidate before he can be re-proposed even in the Lodge where he was rejected. (Under the old regulation a candidate can be re-proposed, in the same Lodge, immediately after his rejection.)

Believing the amendment, if adopted, will result in greater care being taken in the re-proposal of rejected candidates, we recommend its adoption.

The second amendment is as follows: Amend Section 4 by striking out the words "six months after such rejection, nor at any time," and inserting the words "seven years after such rejection."

Amend Section 5 by striking out the words "at any time while residing in this State, or within one year after removal therefrom," and inserting the words "within seven years after such rejection."

The effect of these amendments is, that a rejected candidate may, after the expiration of seven years, be proposed in any Lodge without the written recommendation

of the Master, Wardens and three members, as now required. After carefully considering the changes proposed, we are led to believe that their adoption in full would not be favorable to the best interests of the Craft. That the present regulation is very rarely a hindrance to a worthy and deserving man gaining admission to our Institution, inasmuch as it is, or should be, always possible to obtain the required recommendation.

If, as is too often the case, a candidate is unjustly rejected because of the personal enmity of one member, that one member is not likely, without cause, to influence the Master, Wardens and other members to such an extent that they would refuse, and persist in refusing, the recommendation to which the candidate would be justly entitled. In view of this, and our objection to any changes which could possibly result in less care and watchfulness in the admission of candidates, we respectfully recommend that so much of the second amendment to Section 4 and amendment to Section 5 as applies to the proposal of rejected candidates, while residing within this State, be not adopted; and that so much of said amendments, as may apply to rejected candidates after their removal from this State be adopted.

The Revision, as reported by the committee at the March Communication, appears, for the most part, to be judicious, and bears evidence of careful thought on the part of the committee who had it in charge.

With some changes in phraseology, and some additions, which we believe to offer increased safeguards against the admission of unworthy candidates, we respectfully recom-



mend the adoption of the Revision of Part IV., Art. III., in the following form:

### ARTICLE III.

#### INITIATION OF CANDIDATES.

SECTION 1. All applications for initiation shall be made in writing, over the signature of the applicant, and in the following form:

#### FORM OF PETITION.

*To the W. Master, Wardens and Members of ..... Lodge  
of Free and Accepted Masons:*

I, the subscriber, respectfully represent that, having long entertained a favorable opinion of your ancient Institution, I am desirous, if found worthy, to be admitted a member thereof.

My full name is .....

My place of residence is .....

Date of birth.....

Place of birth.....

Occupation.....

I have never before applied for initiation.

I have before applied for initiation to.....Lodge,  
located at.....in the year 18....

[The form not used to be crossed out by the applicant.]

(Signed).....

Date.....

#### RECOMMENDATION.

I.....member of.....  
Lodge aforesaid, hereby recommend said.....  
for initiation.

(Signed).....



SECT. 2. Candidates must be proposed at a Regular Monthly Communication and stand proposed from one Regular Monthly Communication to another; and in Lodges usually issuing written or printed notifications, the names of candidates must be borne upon the notifications of the Communication at which they are to be balloted for.

No candidate shall be balloted for at any but a Regular Monthly Communication, in any Lodge, unless a Dispensation therefor shall have been obtained, and then only when written or printed notifications of the Communication, bearing the name of the candidate to be balloted for, shall have been sent to all the members. This applies to Lodges which do not usually issue written or printed notifications, as well as to others.

SECT. 3. A committee of investigation, consisting of three or more members of the Lodge, shall be appointed by the Master at the time when an application for the degrees is received by the Lodge. The names of the committee shall be entered on the Record of that Communication, but shall not be put on the notices. Each member of the committee shall be immediately notified of his appointment by the Secretary.

It shall be the duty of the committee to carefully and thoroughly investigate the moral character and standing of each applicant, and in no case to make a favorable report to the Lodge without feeling reasonably certain that the character of the applicant will warrant such a report. No ballot shall be taken on an application until at least a majority of the committee shall have reported to the Lodge, in person, or in writing over their own signatures.

SECT. 4. No candidate whose application has been rejected by a Lodge shall be proposed in any Lodge under this jurisdiction within six months after such rejection, nor shall any candidate be proposed in any Lodge within this jurisdiction, other than the one to which he first applied, without a written recommendation from the Master, Wardens and three members of the Lodge.

SECT. 5. Any candidate whose application has been rejected,

who shall, at any time while residing in this State, be initiated in any other Lodge, or who shall within seven years after removal from the State, be initiated in any Lodge, without the recommendation aforesaid, shall be deemed a clandestine Mason, and all Masonic intercourse with him is forbidden: *provided, however*, that whenever it shall appear to the satisfaction of the M. W. Grand Master that any person deemed a clandestine Mason under the provisions of this Section has received the degrees solely by the fault or mistake of the Lodge conferring the same, or of any officer or member of such Lodge, the Grand Master may at his discretion cause such person to be healed. Every Mason, residing within this State, who knowing of such rejection, shall advise or assist in such initiation or in the recommendation or proposal therefor, shall be expelled from the Institution, or subjected to such other penalty as the Grand Lodge may see fit to impose.

SECT. 6. No candidate shall be initiated in any Lodge under the jurisdiction without a clear and unanimous vote in his favor. Every member present shall vote on the application, unless excused by the Lodge.

SECT. 7. If the physical deformity, of any applicant for the degrees, does not amount to an inability to meet the requirements of the Ritual, and honestly to acquire the means of subsistence, it shall constitute no hindrance to his initiation.

SECT. 8. Application for initiation shall be made to the Lodge in the town or city where the petitioner resides, if there be a Lodge therein; but if there be none he shall apply to the Lodge nearest to his residence.

No person, residing in a town or city where there is a Lodge shall be balloted for in any Lodge located in any other town or city, without the written consent and recommendation of the Master, one Warden and two members of each Lodge in the town or city where he resides: *provided, however*, that where there are more than two Lodges in any town or city, such consent and recommendation shall not be required of more than two of them. Nor shall a candidate residing in any other State, where a regular Lodge

established, be balloted for without the written permission of the Grand Master of such State.

SECT. 9. No Entered Apprentice or Fellow-Craft, initiated or passed in any Lodge within the United States, shall be passed or raised in any Lodge under this jurisdiction, without the consent of the Master and Wardens of the Lodge in which he was first admitted, except by Dispensation from the Grand Master.

SECT. 10. Any member of a subordinate Lodge may object to the initiation, passing, or raising of a candidate, at any time, before the degree is conferred; and the Lodge shall investigate such objections before proceeding further with the candidate.

SECT. 11. All Lodges in Boston shall demand, as the fee for initiating, crafting, and raising a Mason, not less than fifty dollars, including the fee to the Grand Lodge.

Two or more Lodges located in any city or town, except Boston, shall agree upon a minimum fee of not less than twenty-five dollars; and in case they cannot agree, the fee shall be fixed by the Grand Master. No reduction shall be made in the fees for degrees required by a Lodge, excepting by a two-thirds vote of the Grand Lodge. No Lodge under this jurisdiction shall charge less than twenty-five dollars for the degrees, or take a note of hand for the fees, or grant any time of credit therefor, or confer any degree gratuitously or without the regular charge therefor, or return any fees after the three degrees have been conferred.

SECT. 12. No Lodge, in the absence of the Master and Wardens, shall initiate, craft, or raise a candidate.

SECT. 13. No Lodge shall hold more than one Communication on the same day, nor confer more than one degree upon the same candidate on the same day, nor at a less interval than four weeks, from the time of his receiving the previous degree, unless a Dispensation therefor shall have been obtained; *nor shall any Lodge confer either of the three degrees upon more than FIVE candidates at one Communication.*

No Lodge shall permit more than one candidate to be present,

at the same time, in the first Section of the first degree, nor the second Section of the third degree.

SECT. 14. The fees for initiating, crafting, and raising s entitle the applicant to membership in the Lodge which accepts application and confers the degrees, without further charge or bal

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ENDICOTT,

FRANK T. DWINELL,

HENRY G. FAY,

*Committee on Charters and By-Laws.*

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND BY-LAW

R.W. Henry G. Fay, in behalf of the committee, presented the following report, which was accepted:

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, Sept. 12, 1894

The Committee on Charters and By-Laws have examined and approved, with necessary changes, the full codes Mizpah Lodge, of Cambridge, and Puritan Lodge, of W man.

The Committee have also approved without change amendments to the By-Laws of Aberdour Lodge, of B ton; St. John's Lodge, of Newburyport; Wilder Lodge, Leominster; Washington Lodge, of Roxbury, and Willi Sutton Lodge, of Saugus.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ENDICOTT,

FRANK T. DWINELL,

HENRY G. FAY,

*Committee on Charters and By-Laws*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CIPHER.

R.W. Charles C. Dame, in behalf of a committee appointed at the Quarterly Communication in June last, presented the following report:

IN GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Boston, Sept. 12, 1894.

The committee, appointed at the Quarterly Communication in June last, "with instructions to use their utmost exertions to ferret out the guilty parties" concerned in the alleged preparation and circulation of a key, or cipher, of the Ritual of this Grand Lodge," have attended to that duty and respectfully report:

At the outset your committee found their labors obstructed by two difficulties which usually attend the investigation of Masonic offences, but which, in this instance, became unusually conspicuous and obstructive. Those well-disposed and honorable Brethren, who were more or less cognizant of facts connected with the case, were reluctant to have their names associated, however innocently, with so scandalous an affair, and were still more reluctant to be the means of involving in disgrace and punishment any of their Brethren, however guilty they might prove to be. But the other difficulty here alluded to seemed, at the outset, likely to prove a much more serious obstacle to the investigations of your committee. Almost every person suspected of active connection with the offence, or even of actual knowledge in regard to it, refused to answer the most important and pertinent questions of your committee, assigning as the reason for

such refusal that their knowledge in regard to point inquired about was a Masonic secret committed to the in charge by a Brother Master Mason. This evasion was made use of by G. H. G. McGrew, George H. Earl, and Charles Parsons; while Edwin C. Stevens, more truthfully but boldly and insolently, answered, "I do not care to say," "Decline to say," "Do not see fit to answer," "Will not answer."

Your committee denounced this subterfuge in the strongest terms and warned these Brethren in the most emphatic manner that no such obligation, whether pretended or real, could or would be recognized as of any force whatever when in conflict with the demand of the Grand Lodge as expressed through its committee. It is the opinion of your committee that this claim as made by McGrew was the merest pretence; and Earl was compelled to admit that as used by himself it was an outright falsehood.

Your committee desire to call the special attention of the Grand Lodge to this subject. If the obligation of secrecy between two or more Masonic offenders, whether actually entered into or assumed to exist, either before or after the commission of the offence, is to be admitted to be paramount to the demand of the Grand Lodge for a disclosure, investigations by order of this Grand Lodge will become a mere farce, and to appoint committees for such work will be simply to expose them to derision and insult. We believe the true theory to be, that when a Brother is summoned to attend the Grand Lodge, or its committee, it is his bounden duty to attend as directed and to answer fairly, frankly, and fully every question



any way relating to the matter in hand, only reserving a right of appeal to the Grand Master, or Grand Lodge, in regard to doubtful rights or questions. It is a well-settled doctrine that to refuse to obey the summons of competent Masonic authority is good ground for expulsion from the Fraternity. Of what avail is it for a Brother to obey such a summons, and, when asked an important question, to reply, "I decline to answer," or "I do not see fit to answer," "I will not answer," or "I decline to answer because my knowledge is a Masonic secret between me and a Brother conspirator"? In the opinion of your committee such answers constitute a defiance of authority scarcely less reprehensible than a refusal to obey the summons.

Although, as before intimated, your committee were quite freely treated to the impertinence here described, they believe they have ascertained the principal facts in regard to the matter referred to them, which are as follows: When our late Grand Lecturer was Master of Social Harmony Lodge, in Wareham, in 1884 and 1885, he used a written cipher of the Ritual, prepared by himself, which he thinks no one but himself can read. About the same time he prepared one or more ciphers for members of his lodge, which were quite full and complete, could be easily read by the Brethren for whom they were provided, and which were kept carefully corrected up to date. Earl, who was Master of the same Lodge in 1888 and 1889, says that he had a key, corrected from McGrew's and made by Earl himself in the first year after he was initiated — July 10, 1885. This key he exhibited to your

committee. From this he afterwards made a second, for which McGrew furnished the corrections on account of the recent changes, and which was corrected verbally from time to time. From this second key, thus jointly prepared and corrected up to date, Earl declares that he had electrotype plates prepared and one thousand copies printed. He says that he commenced preparations last fall and during the winter had it printed in Boston, but declines to answer by whom it was printed, or whether it was printed by Masons.

Earl says, that sometime in February last, McGrew assisted in reading the proof, that McGrew only assisted him in this way five or six hours, and that this was the first knowledge that McGrew had of the affair. The complete key, or cipher, was issued early in March, and Earl says that he gave one of the first copies he received to McGrew. On the 11th of March, McGrew started for California and by previous request, was joined at Greenfield by Charles Parsons, who purchased from McGrew two copies of the key, for which he paid five dollars. One of these Brothers Parsons sold the next day for five dollars and the other two or three weeks later, for the same price. Your committee are happy to state that four months after this operation, Brother Parsons had an interview with your committee and his Masonic rectitude was thereby so far restored that he returned home and re-purchased the books, and now has them in his possession.

Upon his return from California, in April last, McGrew made some further efforts to interest his Masonic friends in the little A B C volumes, but without much success.



About this time the parties interested in the scheme learned that it had become known to some of the Grand Officers, and it was decided that "it had better be kept quiet until this trouble blew over." Earl very coolly informed your committee that he did not think it any more wrong to print a thousand copies than to prepare the one he used as Master; that he has nearly the whole edition in his possession, and intends to sell them; that he has put his money into the thing, and intends to get it out and a profit with it; sees no reason why he should not derive the benefit from it; intended to distribute it secretly, but has left for future consideration the question how to dispose of the copies now on hand.

McGrew testified, in July last, that he received the information in regard to this key, as a Masonic secret, "a year ago;" that he saw this key while he was Grand Lecturer, but did not communicate that fact to any Grand Officer. He declined to answer whether he had ever had any conversation with Earl as to the sale of this key; whether he had any idea where it was manufactured; what knowledge he had of this key; whether he had ever been directly or indirectly concerned in the preparation of it.

It thus appears that McGrew furnished Earl, nine years ago, with a manuscript key; that he kept him supplied with all needed corrections, after Earl ceased to be Master, and with all the latest changes, even long after Earl had any use for such corrections except for the preparation of the key; that he assisted in the correction of the proof; that he sold copies himself and furnished Earl with the names

of purchasers; that he recommended the key, and probably was directly interested in the sale. During much of the time that this was going on, he was the salaried and trusted officer of the Grand Lodge, obligated and paid to teach our Ritual and to keep it safely lodged only in faithful breasts. He knew the use of unauthorized versions of the Ritual to be a gross Masonic offence, and as Grand Lecturer frequently so instructed his Brethren. Both he and Earl were Past Masters and Past District Deputy Grand Masters.

The mischievous results likely to follow from their latest known plot may be judged by the fact that, although the vigilance of some of the Grand Officers so suddenly nipped the scheme in the bud, that only fifteen or twenty — Earl says only about a dozen — copies of the key had been put out, yet the subject of their sale was under consideration by a vender of lottery tickets, and a copy had already fallen into the hands of a still more disreputable character who was then under a cloud in his business. We cannot say who is responsible for this disgraceful marketing, but it shows the natural effect of issuing such a work and the dangers that threaten our Institution as a result. Your committee recognize very clearly the great danger menacing the whole body of Masonry, and the principles of our Institution, from the publication and circulation of such work by Masons; and in view of the fact that the book plates of this work are in existence, and one thousand copies are printed and bound ready to be circulated, your committee feel that prompt and decisive action should be

taken to prevent the work from being of any Masonic or pecuniary value.

From the character and standing of the two Brethren principally concerned in this affair and the official positions they have held, both having full knowledge of their Masonic duty and obligations in the premises, they must be considered as responsible for the natural consequences of their acts. Your committee have been unable to find any palliating or extenuating circumstances, the official positions formerly occupied by both these Brethren and their experience in Masonic affairs making their conduct especially reprehensible. We cannot too strongly condemn the action of McGrew, inasmuch as the offence was committed while he was officially connected with the Grand Lodge and occupying a salaried position.

Your committee find George H. Earl guilty of preparing, printing, and circulating, and causing the preparation, printing, and circulation of a cipher of the Ritual of this Grand Lodge, contrary to the principle of Freemasonry, against the laws, rules, and regulations of this Grand Lodge, and in violation of his obligations as a Mason.

Your committee find Gifford H. G. McGrew guilty of circulating, and of assisting in the preparation of a cipher of the Ritual of this Grand Lodge, contrary to the principles of Freemasonry, against the laws, rules, and regulations of this Grand Lodge, and in violation of his obligations as a Mason.

Your committee recommend that George H. Earl be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Freemasonry.

Your committee recommend that Gifford H. G. McGrew be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Free masonry.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES C. DAME,  
CHAS. T. GALLAGHER,  
CHAS. G. REED,  
WILLIAM WHITE,  
GEORGE H. RHODES,

*Committee.*

The two individuals implicated by the report of the committee, having been summoned by order of the Grand Master, were present, and made such attempts to answer the charges as they desired to make. Dr. Earl stated that he was responsible for the cipher, "expected to be expelled, and was prepared to take the medicine." McGrew admitted that there was "some truth" in the statements made in regard to him.

After a full discussion of the matter, the presentation and withdrawal of sundry motions for delay and reference to other committees the accused withdrew from the Hall and a standing vote was taken upon the recommen-

uations of the committee with the following result: The recommendation in regard to Earl was adopted by 183 yeas to 3 nays. The recommendation as to McGrew was adopted by 152 yeas to 23 nays. George H. Earl and Gifford H. G. McGrew were accordingly declared expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

#### RESOLUTION AS TO CIPHER.

Wor. Charles T. Gallagher offered the following resolution as to the cipher, which was unanimously adopted:

*Whereas* it appears, from the report of the Special Committee on the cipher lately issued, that the plates and one thousand copies of a printed work, purporting to be a cipher of the Ritual of this Grand Lodge, are in existence;

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Ritual be directed to consider and report what legislation, or orders, are necessary to make the work thus published of no Masonic value, either by recommending a revision of the present Ritual or making it a Masonic offence for any Brother to have or use the cipher work or anything similar thereto, or such other way or manner as the Committee may see fit to propose.

## CLOSING.

No further business being presented, prayer was offered by Worshipful Z. L. Bicknell, hymn was sung, and the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM, at forty-five minutes after four o'clock P.M.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno D. Nickerson.*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT ROXBURY.

SEPTEMBER 29, A.L. 5894.

LAYING THE CORNER-STONE OF THE FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in the Roxbury District of the city of Boston, on Saturday, the twenty-ninth day of September, A.D. 1894, A.L. 5894, for the purpose of laying the Corner-stone of the new house of worship of the First Universalist Society in Roxbury.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. SAMUEL WELLS . . . . .	as	Grand Master.
" HENRY G. FAY . . . . .	as	Deputy Grand Master.
" WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . .	as	Senior Grand Warden.
" CHARLES S. ROBERTSON . . .		Junior Grand Warden.
" CHARLES I. LITCHFIELD . . .		Past Grand Warden.
" JOHN CARR . . . . .		Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON . . .		Recording Grand Secretary.
" S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . . .		Corresponding Grand Sec'y.
" E. BENTLEY YOUNG . . . . .		D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 1.
" LEWIS M. CRANE . . . . .	"	" " " 5.
" DAVID T. REMINGTON . . . .	"	" " " 13.
" ALBERT E. BRADLEY . . . . .	"	" " " 22.
" AMOS A. LAWRENCE . . . . .	"	" " " 25.



- W. REV. EDWARD A. HORTON, }  
 " REV. CHARLES A. SKINNER, } . Grand Chaplains.  
 " CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . . . Grand Marshal.  
 " LORENZO B. DUTTON . . . . *as* Senior Grand Deacon.  
 " HENRY S. ROWE . . . . Junior Grand Deacon.  
 " ALBERT L. HARWOOD . . . . Senior Grand Steward.  
 " J. ALFRED MESSINGER . . . . Junior Grand Steward.  
 " WALTER F. LANSIL . . . . Grand Sword-Bearer.  
 " HENRY SPAVIN, }  
 " FRED. C. DODGE, } . . . . Grand Pursuivants.  
 Bro. JOHN H. CHESTER . . . . Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in FORM, in the Prelate's Room of Joseph Warren Com mandery, of Roxbury, at 1.30 o'clock P.M., in pursuance of the following Warrant :

#### GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

To R.W. SAMUEL WELLS, *Past Grand Master* :

You are hereby authorized and empowered to open Special Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, in the city of Boston, within our jurisdiction, on Saturday next, the twenty-ninth day of September current; and then and there, in accordance with the usages and customs of Freemasons, and in conformity to the Ritual of this Grand Lodge, to proceed in solemn form to lay the Corner-stone of the new house of worship of the First Universalist Society of Roxbury to be erected in that District; and for so doing, this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given at the city of Boston, under my hand and the



seal of the Grand Lodge, on the twenty-eighth day of September, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, Anno Lucis five thousand eight hundred and ninety-four.

OTIS E. WELD,  
*Grand Master.*

Attest:

SERENO D. NICKERSON,  
*Recording Grand Secretary.*

The Grand Officers were formed in procession by the Grand Marshal and, escorted by Germania Band and Washington Lodge, marched to the site of the new edifice on the corner of Buena Vista and Fenno Streets, where the members of the Society and many interested spectators were gathered.

The exercises were commenced promptly at two o'clock, with an overture by the Germania Orchestra, followed by an anthem sung by a quartet of ladies and gentlemen. A brief introductory address was delivered by Mr. William O. Curtis, chairman of the Standing and Building Committee. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. J. Patterson, D.D., Pastor Emeritus, and a hymn, written for the occasion by Mrs. Jane L. Patterson, was sung by the assembly. Addresses were then delivered by Rev. E. L. Rexford, D.D., Pastor of the

Church, and Rev. James DeNormandie, D.D. Pastor of the "First Religious Society."

Upon the conclusion of these exercises, M. Curtis, in behalf of the Building Committee requested the Acting Grand Master to lay the Corner-stone in accordance with the forms and ceremonies of our Ancient and Honorable Fraternity. To this request the Grand Master made a suitable response and the ceremony proceeded in conformity to the ritual of this Grand Lodge. A hymn was sung by the Corinthian Quartet; appropriate passages of Scripture were read alternately by W. Rev. Edward A. Horton, Grand Chaplain, and the Brethren; prayer was offered by Bro. Horton; a list of the contents of the box deposited within the Corner-stone was read by R.W. John Carr, Grand Treasurer; the Jewels were applied to the Stone and it was pronounced square, level and plumb; corn, wine and oil were poured upon it; the Invocation was pronounced by W. Rev. Charles A. Skinner; the working tools were presented to the architect Mr. Ernest N. Boyden, with the usual injunction, and by order of the Acting Grand Master the Grand Marshal made proclamation that the Corner-stone had been found square, level and

lumb, true and trusty, and laid according to the old customs of Masons.

A novel and pleasing ceremony followed, called the "Blessing of the Corner-stone," with singing and scattering of flowers by the children of the Sunday-school.

The Masonic procession then returned to the place of opening, and the Grand Lodge was closed in FORM, at twenty minutes after four o'clock P.M.

The occasion was of special interest to Washington Lodge from the fact that the Corner-stone of the original edifice was laid by that Lodge on the 28th of July, 1820, and the Brethren accordingly were present with full ranks and made a fine appearance.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno D. Nickerson,*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT MERRIMAC

OCTOBER 10, A.L. 5894.

## DEDICATION OF MASONIC HALL AT MERRIMAC.

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
 WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIEN  
 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE CO  
 MONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held  
 in the town of Merrimac, on Wednesday, the ten  
 day of October, A.D. 1894, A.L. 5894, f  
 for the purpose of dedicating the new Mason  
 apartments of Bethany Lodge.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W.	EDWIN B. HOLMES . . . .	as Grand Master.
"	HENRY G. FAY . . . .	as Deputy Grand Master.
"	WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . .	as Senior Grand Warden.
"	CHARLES S. ROBERTSON . .	Junior Grand Warden.
"	EDWARD A. FITTS . . . .	as Grand Treasurer.
"	SERENO D. NICKERSON . .	Recording Grand Sec'y.
"	ISAAC A. S. STEELE . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No.
W.	REV. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT .	as Grand Chaplain.
"	CHARLES HARRIS . . . .	as Grand Marshal.
"	CHARLES T. CHASE, }	as Grand Stewards.
"	WILLIAM A. CARRIE, }	
Bro.	SETH T. DAME . . . .	as Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in Du

FORM, in one of the ante-rooms of the new Hall, at half-past eight o'clock P.M.

A procession of the Grand Officers was formed by the Grand Marshal, and escorted to the Lodge-room by a committee of Past and Present Masters. The Deputy Grand Master was cordially welcomed by W. Bro. Daniel J. Poore, Master of Bethany Lodge, and the Grand Officers assumed their respective stations.

The exercises were commenced with the singing, by the Haverhill Quartet, of the hymn commencing

“Hark! hark! to the voices exulting that rise.”

Prayer was offered by W. Rev. George J. Prescott, Grand Chaplain; the working tools were surrendered by the Architect, Bro. George G. Larkin; and the usual examination of the new apartments was made by the Grand Officers.

The report being satisfactory, the Deputy Grand Master solemnly dedicated the Hall to Freemasonry, to Virtue, and to Universal Benevolence, in accordance with ancient form and usage, and the ritual of this Grand

Lodge, and the Grand Marshal made proclamation accordingly.

The R.W. Deputy Grand Master delivered the appropriate and impressive Charge prepared for such occasions by M.W. Paul Revere, when Grand Master.

A closing hymn was sung, the benediction was pronounced, the R.W. Deputy Grand Master resigned the chair to the W. Master, and the Grand Officers were escorted by the committee to the place of opening, where the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM, at half-past nine o'clock P.M.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Servus D. Nickerson*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*







## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION AT BOSTON.

OCTOBER 29, A.L. 5894.

CONSECRATION OF BURIAL LOT AND DEDICATION OF  
MONUMENT.

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
 WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT  
 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COM-  
 MONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was opened, in  
 DUE FORM, at half-past twelve o'clock, P.M., in  
 the Masonic Temple, in the city of Boston; on  
 Monday, the twenty-ninth day of October, A.L.  
 5894, A.D. 1894, for the purpose of consecrat-  
 ing a Burial Lot and dedicating a monument  
 in Mount Hope Cemetery, presented to the  
 Grand Lodge of Massachusetts by Brother  
 John H. Collamore.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. EDWIN B. HOLMES . . . as Grand Master.  
 " HENRY G. FAY . . . as Deputy Grand Master.  
 " WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . as Senior Grand Warden.  
 " CHARLES S. ROBERTSON . . Junior Grand Warden.  
 " GEORGE H. RHODES . . as Grand Treasurer.  
 " SERENO D. NICKERSON . . Recording Grand Secretary.  
 " S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . . Corresponding Grand Sec'y.

R.W.	LEWIS M. CRANE . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 5.
"	CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD . .	" " " " 10.
"	LESTER H. CUDWORTH . .	" " " " 19.
"	HERBERT I. MITCHELL . .	" " " " 24.
"	AMOS A. LAWRENCE . . .	" " " " 25.
"	JAMES E. MCCREERY . . .	" " " " 26.
"	OLIVER H. LINNELL . . .	" " " " 28.
W.	REV. EDWARD A. HORTON .	Grand Chaplain.
"	CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . .	Grand Marshal.
"	CHAUNCEY E. PECK . . .	Grand Lecturer.
"	HENRY G. JORDAN . . .	as Senior Grand Deacon.
"	HENRY S. ROWE . . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
"	J. ALFRED MESSINGER . .	as Senior Grand Steward.
"	GEORGE W. SAMPSON, }	as Junior Grand Stewards.
"	WALTER U. LEWISSON, }	
"	DANIEL J. STRAIN, }	
"	WALTER F. LANSIL . . .	Grand Sword-Bearer.
"	Z. L. BICKNELL . . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
"	HENRY SPAVIN, }	Grand Pursuivants.
"	WILLIAM P. TREET, }	
Bro.	HOWARD M. DOW . . . .	Grand Organist.
"	JOHN H. CHESTER . . . .	Grand Tyler.

## PERMANENT MEMBERS PRESENT:

R.W.	SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE . .	Past Grand Master.
"	EDWIN WRIGHT . . . .	Past Deputy Grand Master.
"	FRANK T. DWINELL . . .	" " " "
"	DAVID W. CRAFTS . . .	Past Grand Warden.
"	WILLIAM T. GRAMMER . .	" " "
"	DANIEL W. LAWRENCE . .	" " "
"	WILLIAM H. CHESSMAN . .	" " "
"	ANDREW C. STONE . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES H. NORRIS . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES I. LITCHFIELD . .	" " "
"	IVORY H. POPE . . . .	" " "
"	GEORGE W. STORER . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES HARRIS . . . .	" " "
"	J. ALBERT BLAKE . . . .	" " "

The following Lodges were also represented: Belmont, Bethesda, of Brighton, Beth-horon, Columbian, Faith, Isaac Parker, King Solomon's, La Fayette, of Roxbury, Lodge of Eleusis, Macedonian, Mizpah, Orphan's Hope, Prospect, Satuit, Simon W. Robinson, Temple, Washington, and Winslow Lewis.

Under the escort of Boston and De Molay Commanderies, the Grand Officers proceeded to the Providence Station in Park Square, where cars were taken for Forest Hills. Upon arriving there, the march was resumed to Mount Hope Cemetery.

The ceremonies were conducted in accordance with the following programme:

1. CHORALE. "Commit thy Ways" . . . J. S. Bach.  
CARTER'S BAND.

2. HYMN . . . . . CORINTHIAN QUARTET.

Great Architect of earth and heaven,  
By time nor space confined,  
Enlarge our love to comprehend  
Our Brethren, all mankind.

Where'er we are, whate'er we do,  
Thy presence let us own;  
Thine eye, all-seeing, marks our deeds,  
To Thee all thoughts are known.

While nature's works and science's laws  
We labor to reveal,  
Oh! be our duty done to Thee  
With fervency and zeal.

With FAITH our guide, and humble HOPE,  
Warm CHARITY and LOVE,  
May all at last be raised to share  
Thy perfect light above.

### 3. REQUEST BY BRO. JOHN H. COLLAMORE.

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR: It has been a pleasure to me to procure this Lot and to erect this Monument for the sole use and benefit of the Masonic Fraternity. These have been deeded to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of this Commonwealth; and, as the final act in the transaction, it is my sincere desire that you now consecrate the Burial Lot and dedicate the Monument in accordance with the forms of our Ancient and Honorable Fraternity.

### 4. REPLY OF THE ACTING GRAND MASTER

From time immemorial it has been the custom of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, when requested so to do, to lay the Corner-stones of buildings erected for the worship of God and for charitable objects; to dedicate Halls devoted to humane and fraternal purposes, and also to dedicate Monuments erected to commemorate the sacrifice, valor and patriotism of our fellow-countrymen.

We may, therefore, in accordance with our law, consecrate this Lot and dedicate this Monument; and thus testifying

our fraternal regard for the memories of our deceased Brethren, we shall proceed in accordance with ancient usage.

As the first duty of Masons in any undertaking is to invoke the blessing of the great Architect upon their work, we will unite with our Grand Chaplain in an address to the Throne of Grace.

5. THE PRELATE OF DE MOLAY COMMANDERY, J. FRANKLIN GAMMELL, READS:

And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran.

And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put them for his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.

And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.

And, behold, the Lord stood above it, and said I am the Lord God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed;

And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth; and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again

into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.

And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the Lord is in this place; and I knew it not.

And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! this is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put for his pillows, and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it. — *Genesis xxviii.*, 10–18.

And he spake unto the children of Israel, saying, When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean these stones?

Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land.

For the Lord your God dried up the waters of Jordan from before you, until ye were passed over, as the Lord your God did to the Red Sea, which he dried up from before us, until we were gone over;

That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the Lord, that it is mighty: that ye might fear the Lord your God forever. — *Joshua iv.*, 21–24.

For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring the offering of the corn, of the new wine and the oil, unto the chambers, which are the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that minister, and the porters, and the singers: and we will not forsake the house of our God. — *Nehemiah x.*, 39.

## 6. RESPONSIVE READINGS.

GRAND CHAPLAIN. — I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

BRETHREN. — My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.

GRAND CHAPLAIN. — He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He that keepeth thee will not slumber.

BRETHREN. — Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

GRAND CHAPLAIN. — The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

BRETHREN. — The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

GRAND CHAPLAIN. — The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul.

BRETHREN. — The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

GRAND CHAPLAIN. — Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it; except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

BRETHREN. — One generation shall praise Thy works to another, and shall declare Thy mighty acts. They shall abundantly utter the memory of Thy great goodness, and shall sing of Thy righteousness.

GRAND CHAPLAIN. — O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.

BRETHREN. — For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

GRAND CHAPLAIN. — Sing unto the Lord, bless His name ; show forth His salvation from day to day.

BRETHREN. — All thy works shall praise Thee, O Lord ; and Thy saints shall bless Thee. Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord ; for great is the glory of the Lord.

GRAND CHAPLAIN. — Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for the Brethren to dwell together in unity !

BRETHREN. — It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard : that went down to the skirts of his garments.

GRAND CHAPLAIN. — As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion ; for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

“Glory be to God on high!”

BRETHREN. — As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be ! Amen ! So mote it be ! Amen !

Prayer is offered by the Grand Chaplain.

7. OFFERTOIRE . . . . . *E. Batiste.*

CARTER'S BAND.

8. CONSECRATION OF BURIAL LOT.

GRAND MASTER. — By virtue of authority vested in me by the Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, I do now solemnly and forever consecrate this Burial Lot to the high purpose for which it is given — that of being set apart through all coming time as the final resting-place for the remains of those of our deceased Brethren who shall here be buried by permission of the Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.



## DEDICATION OF THE MONUMENT.

## 9. ADDRESS OF THE ARCHITECT.

**MOST WORSHIPFUL:** Having been intrusted with the superintendence and management of the workmen employed in the construction of this Monument, and having according to the best of my ability accomplished the work, I beg leave to surrender to you the implements in my care, and sincerely trust that you will find it square, level and plumb.

## 10. REPLY OF THE ACTING GRAND MASTER.

We will carefully examine your work and try it by the Square, Level and Plumb.

**GRAND MASTER.** — Brother Deputy Grand Master, what is the proper jewel of your office ?

**DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.** — The Square.

**GRAND MASTER.** — What does it teach ?

**DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.** — To square our actions by the square of virtue, and by it we prove our work.

**GRAND MASTER.** — Apply your jewel to this Monument, and make report.

**DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.** — The Monument is square ; the Craftsmen have done their duty.

**GRAND MASTER.** — Brother Senior Grand Warden, what is the proper jewel of your office ?

**SENIOR GRAND WARDEN.** — The Level.

**GRAND MASTER.** — What does it teach ?

**SENIOR GRAND WARDEN.** — The equality of all men, and by it we prove our work.

GRAND MASTER. — Apply your jewel to this Monument, and make report.

SENIOR GRAND WARDEN. — The Monument is level; the Craftsmen have done their duty.

GRAND MASTER. — Brother Junior Grand Warden, what is the jewel of your office ?

JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN — The Plumb.

GRAND MASTER. — What does it teach ?

JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN. — To walk uprightly before God and man, and by it we prove our work.

GRAND MASTER. — Apply your jewel to this Monument, and make report.

JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN. — The Monument is plumb; the Craftsman have done their duty.

The Grand Master, striking the Monument three times with the gavel, says :

Well made, well proved, truly laid, true and trusty; and may this Monument stand as a symbol of the immortal hope of our Fraternity, and a perpetual memorial in honor of our deceased Brethren.

The Deputy Grand Master receives from the Grand Marshal the Vessel of Corn, and pouring the Corn upon the Monument, says :

May the blessing of the Supreme Grand Architect rest upon this memorial, and may the Corn of Nourishment strengthen us in high and holy endeavor.

When once of old, in Israel,  
Our early Brethren wrought with toil,  
Jehovah's blessing on them fell  
In showers of Corn and Wine and Oil.

The Grand Marshal presents the Cup of Wine to the Senior Grand Warden, who pours the Wine upon the Monument, saying:

May the Grand Architect of the Universe preserve this work of our hands; and bestow upon the souls of our Brethren, who shall here have their final resting-place, the wine of enduring peace and everlasting joy.

When there a shrine to Him alone  
They built, with worship sin to foil,  
On threshold and on Corner-stone  
They poured out Corn and Wine and Oil.

The Grand Marshal presents the Cup of Oil to the Junior Grand Warden, who pours the Oil upon the Monument, saying:

May the Supreme Ruler of the World bless our land with prosperity and peace; may He enlarge the spirit of Brotherly Love and Relief in our Fraternity, and vouchsafe to our dead an abundant admission into His Heavenly Kingdom.

And we have come, fraternal bands,  
With joy and pride and prosperous spoil,  
To honor Him by votive hands  
With streams of Corn and Wine and Oil.

The Grand Chaplain pronounces the following invocation:

May Corn and Wine and Oil, and all the necessities of life, abound among men throughout the world; may the blessing of Almighty God rest upon this Monument, erected with Wisdom in the plan, Strength in the execution, and Beauty in the adornment. May it be preserved

to the latest ages — a token of the liberality of the donor and a memorial of our deceased Brethren.

#### 11. ADDRESS BY THE ACTING GRAND MASTER.

BRETHREN: We have assembled in this "City of the Dead" to discharge an agreeable and a fraternal duty. We come not to place the laurel of victory on a warrior's brow; we gather not with floating banners and gleaming sabres to honor one, brave on the field, great in attainment, rich with gold, or wise in counsel; but a loftier purpose calls us, — that of consecrating this burial lot and dedicating this monument in memory of our Masonic Brothers, their widows and children, whose remains, — life's battle being completed, — shall find their last resting-place in the bosom of this consecrated soil. The stranger Brother from foreign shores, whom fortune or misfortune leaves friendless and dead within our jurisdiction; those of our own mystic circle, unable through friendlessness or want to procure Christian burial, and a stone to mark their graves, may find in this consecrated spot a resting-place, where Brethren will perform the rites of burial, and fraternal Christian service be accorded.

Masonry is not a Royal Order; Freemasons are not a titled or privileged class, with whom wealth, learning, or blood is the signet of admission. Masonry regards no man for his outward appearance alone. It is composed of all classes of reputable citizens. Hence the prince and the peasant, the bishop and the layman, the millionaire and the poor, the learned and the unlearned, join in fraternal accord in symbolic labor. The distinctions of

sect, class and party have sway on the earth, but at the Masonic altar men kneel in one common worship, feel the force and help of a common truth, and are filled with one common hope. Therefore it occurs that some of our Brethren, poor in this world's goods, but rich in faith, need fraternal relief and will need the last office of Christian burial.

The hope, formerly cherished, has now become fact. The anticipation, so long expressed, has its fulfilment to-day. Let every Brother, poor, friendless, lonely, banish the anxious load from his mind, for here, by the generosity of our esteemed Brother, under the shadow of this beautiful monument, his remains can be laid by fraternal hands, and here they can rest until mother earth has made them again a part of her own dear self.

The earth teems with monuments to the departed. Pyramids, mausoleums, tombs, monuments, alike teach honor to the dead and care of their remains. Throughout earth's broad expanse, as universal as civilized life, so universal are these monuments in memory of the departed. They were erected to commemorate renowned kings, victorious warriors, famous scholars, distinguished statesmen, discoverers, inventors and others of less renown, but where are the monuments to the poor and friendless? Those successful in life have graves marked by granite shaft or less pretentious stone; but what marks the resting-place of the unsuccessful? Who builds monuments out of regard for those whose efforts have produced no material gain?

It is therefore without the shadow of a boast, that I

recall to your minds, that this Monument is for the poor, friendless and unsuccessful. It is dedicated to the memory of worthy Brothers who but for this great, thoughtful generosity might be borne by profane hands to some obscure spot and be buried in an unknown, if not a pauper's grave.

This is the great glory of the day's event. Now none of our worthy Brothers can be so poor as to have nowhere to lay his head when he lies down in the sleep of death. Now the wide ocean may separate a Brother from his Masonic home, his loved ones and kindred may be far away beyond the mountains, a stranger in a strange land he may be, still if he die in our midst, he may be assured that in a known grave, carefully watched over through the passing years, his remains will lie undisturbed.

This Monument is erected because Masonry exists; it is the legitimate outgrowth of principles which are the foundation of our Order. It stands a fitting symbol of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. These principles are manifested in the Mason's heart most strongly toward the cheerless, needy and depressed. He best bears his burden who assists to bear another's. This Monument proclaims that the high and low, rich and poor, constitute one family, who are to aid, support and protect each other. It declares that it is incumbent on Masons to relieve distress, soothe the unhappy, sympathize with their misfortunes, compassionate their miseries, wipe away the tears of the afflicted and bestow funeral rites upon their worthy dead, ever joining to promote each other's welfare and rejoicing in each other's prosperity.

Grand as this Monument is; beautiful as its sculptured

and polished surface is, yet more grand, more beautiful is that spirit of charity displayed by our Brother who conceived and completed this work. It is meet that I should thus publicly express the sincere thanks of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts for this beautiful and useful gift. His charitable works are many, but perhaps in none is the truly Masonic spirit more signally displayed. This Monument will perpetuate the memory and names of those whose remains will be buried in this Lot, but by this act of kindness, mercy and charity our Brother is erecting a monument in the hearts of our Fraternity that will last from generation to generation. When marble and granite shall have crumbled to dust, faithful breasts will retain the memory of his unstinted charity. Accept, therefore, beloved Brother, our sincere gratitude, and be assured that those to come after us, who will be blessed by this day's achievement, will hold in grateful hearts the name and memory of Brother John Hoffman Collamore.

In conclusion; behold this consecrated structure! Translate its polished sides and towering summit! Bear hence with you, graven on your hearts, the lessons that they teach.

The square and compasses, the Bible and letter "G," combined, show us the way of duty, peace and happiness on earth; the hour-glass impresses us with truth we learn but do not realize, — too soon "they are all exhausted;" the All-seeing Eye beholds without, within, and "will reward us according to our merits," and the urn, which signifies the repository of all that's mortal, is surmounted by the sprig of acacia, — symbol of the soul which shall never, never die.

“A century hence, some pilgrim on his way  
 Perchance may pass this consecrated spot,  
 And as he looks upon this stone will say,  
 ‘The humbler ones of earth are not forgot.’

“Our loving deed; O Architect Divine,  
 In Thy good pleasure graciously approve;  
 That this fraternal act will ever shine,  
 A star of beauty in the sky of love.”

12. HYMN. Tune: “America.”

*Words by R. W. Thomas Power.*

SUNG BY THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY.

Placed now in form most true,  
 Our finished work we view,  
 With hearts sincere:  
 Forever be it found  
 Grateful to all around,  
 And notes of joy resound  
 In accents clear.

While years roll silent by,  
 Pointing our Hope on high,  
 Here let it stand:  
 There may the good and great,  
 With fondest joys elate,  
 Faith's promised bliss await,  
 At Heaven's command.

When, our last labor o'er,  
 Scenes of this life no more  
 Charm our frail sight:  
 Then in God's holy care,  
 May each protection share,  
 Bliss found unending there,  
 In Perfect Light.



13. ADDRESS BY REV. EDWARD A. HORTON.

14. PROCESSIONAL. "The Son of God goes forth to War."  
S. B. Whitney.

CARTER'S BAND.

15. PROCLAMATION.

GRAND MASTER. — Wor. Grand Marshal, you will make proclamation that this Burial Lot has been consecrated and this Monument dedicated in accordance with ancient form and usage.

GRAND MARSHAL. — In the name of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I now proclaim that this Burial Lot has been duly consecrated, and that the Monument erected here has this day been found to be square, level and plumb, true and trusty, and has been dedicated according to the old customs by the Grand Master of Masons.

This proclamation is made from the East, the West, the South, once (trumpet), twice (trumpet), thrice (trumpet).

Bro. Collamore requested all to rise, and said :

May the soil of this sacred spot remain undisturbed for many years, and let us hope that it will not be used for a long time for the purposes for which it is intended.

16. BENEDICTION.

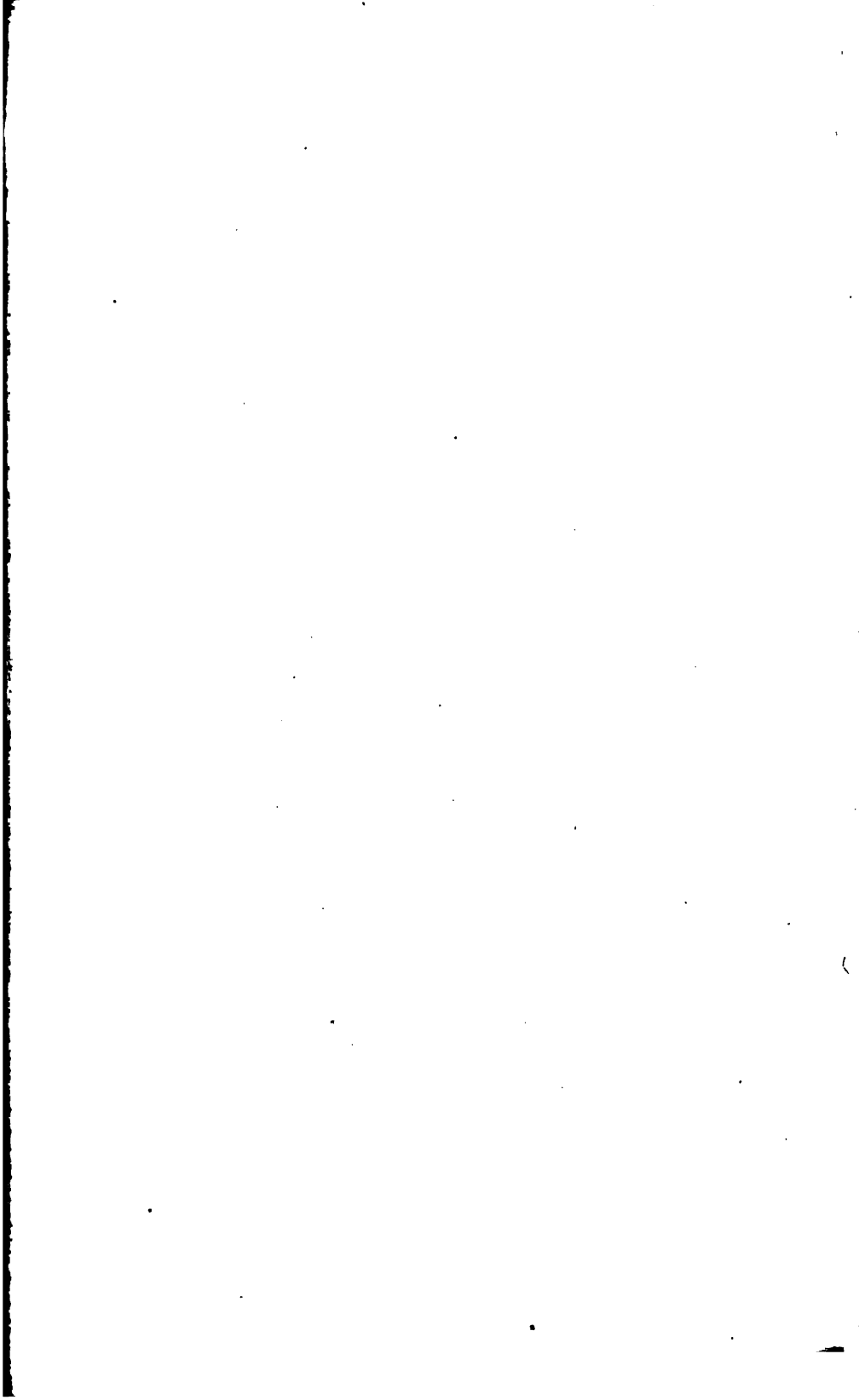
Upon the conclusion of the ceremonies, the procession was re-formed, and returned to the Masonic Temple, where the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM, at forty-five minutes after four o'clock P.M.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno D. Nickerson,*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*



GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS:

OTIS E. WELD,  
MASONIC TEMPLE,  
BOSTON, MASS.

RECORDING GRAND SECRETARY'S ADDRESS:

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# Abstract of Proceedings

OF THE

## GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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### QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

DECEMBER 12, A.L. 5894.

A QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at the Masonic Temple, in the city of Boston, on Wednesday, the twelfth day of December, A.L. 5894, A.D. 1894.

#### GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. EDWIN B. HOLMES	. . . .	Deputy Grand Master.
" GEORGE W. BISHOP	. . . .	Senior Grand Warden.
" CHARLES S. ROBERTSON	. . . .	Junior Grand Warden.
" JOHN CARR	. . . .	Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON	. . . .	Recording Grand Secretary.
" S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE	. . . .	Cor. Grand Secretary.
" CHARLES C. HUTCHINSON	. . . .	Of Board of Directors.

R.W.	E. BENTLEY YOUNG . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No.	1.
"	EUGENE C. UPTON . . . .	" " " "	2.
"	JOSEPH H. GLEASON . . . .	" " " "	3.
"	HENRY B. CHANDLER . . . .	" " " "	4.
"	QUINCY BICKNELL, JR. . . .	" " " "	6.
"	JOSIAH F. KIMBALL . . . .	" " " "	7.
"	ISAAC A. S. STEELE . . . .	" " " "	9.
"	CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD . .	" " " "	10.
"	FRANK L. WEAVER . . . .	" " " "	11.
"	SIDNEY P. SMITH . . . .	" " " "	12.
"	DAVID T. REMINGTON . . . .	" " " "	13.
"	FRED E. WHITE . . . .	" " " "	14.
"	JOHN P. MERRILL . . . .	" " " "	15.
"	EDWARD P. CHAPIN . . . .	" " " "	16.
"	CHARLES A. PEABODY . . . .	" " " "	18.
"	LESTER H. CUDWORTH . . . .	" " " "	19.
"	JOHN H. BALCOM . . . .	" " " "	20.
"	ALBERT E. BRADLEY . . . .	" " " "	22.
"	OLON R. WRIGHT . . . .	" " " "	23.
"	HERBERT I. MITCHELL . . . .	" " " "	24.
"	AMOS A. LAWRENCE . . . .	" " " "	25.
"	JAMES E. MCCREERY . . . .	" " " "	26.
"	JOHN HUXTABLE . . . .	" " " "	27.
"	OLIVER H. LINNELL . . . .	" " " "	28.

W.	CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . . .	Grand Marshal.
"	FRANK W. KAAN, }	Grand Lecturers.
"	CHAUNCEY E. PECK, }	
"	CHARLES T. GALLAGHER . . . .	Senior Grand Deacon.
"	HENRY S. ROWE . . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
"	ALBERT L. HARWOOD . . . .	Senior Grand Steward.
"	JAMES A. MESSINGER, }	Junior Grand Stewards.
"	CHARLES T. BURR, }	
"	C. WALLIS DAME, }	
"	Z. L. BICKNELL . . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
"	WALTER F. LANSIL . . . .	Grand Sword-Bearer.
"	HENRY SPAVIN . . . .	Grand Pursuivant.
Bro.	HOWARD M. DOW . . . .	Grand Organist.
"	JOHN H. CHESTER . . . .	Grand Tyler.

## PERMANENT MEMBERS PRESENT:

R.W.	CHARLES C. DAME . . . .	Past Grand Master.
"	CHARLES A. WELCH . . . .	" " "
"	SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE . . . .	" " "
"	SAMUEL WELLS . . . . .	" " "
"	BENJAMIN A. GOULD . . . .	Past Deputy Grand Master.
"	FRANK T. DWINELL . . . .	" " " "
"	HARVEY N. SHEPARD . . . .	" " " "
"	HENRY GODDARD . . . . .	Past Grand Warden.
"	WILLIAM T. GRAMMER . . . .	" " "
"	DANIEL W. LAWRENCE . . . .	" " "
"	WILLIAM H. CHESSMAN . . . .	" " "
"	OLON W. STEVENS . . . . .	" " "
"	WILLIAM BABSON . . . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES M. AVERY . . . . .	" " "
"	WILLIAM T. R. MARVIN . . . .	" " "
"	BAALIS SANFORD . . . . .	" " "
"	JAMES M. GLEASON . . . . .	" " "
"	ANDREW C. STONE . . . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES H. NORRIS . . . . .	" " "
"	HIRAM O. SMITH . . . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES I. LITCHFIELD . . . .	" " "
"	JAMES TAYLOR . . . . .	" " "
"	IVORY H. POPE . . . . .	" " "
"	E. WATERS BURR . . . . .	" " "
"	HENRY G. FAY . . . . .	" " "
"	CHARLES C. SPELLMAN . . . .	" " "
"	THOMAS W. DAVIS . . . . .	" " "
"	WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . . .	" " "
"	GEORGE W. STORER . . . . .	" " "
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	Lewis Perkins . . .	Proxy.
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	Henry W. Gore . . .	Proxy.
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	Wilbur H. Lansil . . .	Junior Warden.
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	Edward J. Ryan . . .	Junior Warden.
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MT. HOREB (Harwich)	Henry C. Berry . .	Master.
	Sullivan W. Rogers .	Senior Warden.
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MOUNT LEBANON . .	Gus G. R. Stanwood .	Master.
	William B. Phipps .	Senior Warden.
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	Ernest Crowson . .	Senior Warden.
	Wm. L. Bartlett . .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT OLIVET . .	Walter C. Wardwell .	Master.
	John S. Patton . . .	Senior Warden.
	Warren P. Dudley .	Junior Warden.
MOUNT TABOR . . .	Charles R. Morse . .	Master.
MOUNT TOM . . .	Eli W. Beach . . .	Master.
	Ormsbee T. Farnham .	Senior Warden.
MOUNT VERNON . .	Winslow B. Southworth	Master.
	Walter F. Medding .	Junior Warden.
	Frederick J. Foss . .	Proxy.
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NARRAGANSETT . .	Arthur C. Wyatt . .	Master.
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	Benj. A. Skiff . . .	Junior Warden.
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NOQUOCHOKE . . .	Henry T. Allen . . .	Master.
	Joseph C. Allen . . .	Senior Warden.
	Nahum F. Nickelson .	Junior Warden.
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NORFOLK UNION . .	Asa P. French . . .	Master.
	Frank C. Granger . .	Senior Warden.
NORTH STAR . . .	Charles F. Whithed .	Master.
	Willie B. Pike . . .	Senior Warden.
OLD COLONY . . .	George S. Marsh . . .	Master.
	Walter B. Foster . .	Junior Warden.
OLIVE BRANCH . .	Jacob R. Lincoln . .	Master.
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ORPHAN'S HOPE . .	William T. Rice . . .	Senior Warden.
	William Humphrey . .	Proxy.

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PEQUOSSETTE . . . .	Benj. W. Brown . .	Master.
PHENIX . . . . .	John G. Fisher . .	Master.
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PILGRIM . . . . .	Charles E. Hamer . .	Master.
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	Frank L. Cobb . . . .	Junior Warden.
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	Benj. J. Warton . . .	Proxy.
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SAINT PAUL . . . . .	E. Dana Bancroft . . .	Proxy.
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	Charles Cole . . .	Junior Warden.
	Herbert T. Packard .	Proxy.
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	William H. Sampson .	Junior Warden.
	Nehemiah T. Merritt .	Proxy.
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	Frank H. Locke . . .	Junior Warden.
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	Benjamin Waters . .	Senior Warden.
	J. Walter Sanborn . .	Master.
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	Henry N. West . . .	Junior Warden.
STARR KING . . . .	Robert L. Almy . . .	Master.
	Henry W. Edwards . .	Junior Warden.
	William P. Treet . .	Master.
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	Warren A. Bennett . .	Senior Warden.
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	William E. Houghton	Senior Warden.
	Henry J. Mills . . .	Proxy.
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WINTHROP . . . . .	Sidney H. Griffin . .	Master.
WYOMING . . . . .	Oscar F. Frost . . .	Master.
	George E. Fenn . . .	Junior Warden.
	Sidney H. Buttrick . .	Proxy.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FORM, at two o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Bro. Z. L. Bicknell.

The Records of the Quarterly Communication of September 12, the Special Communications of September 29, October 10 and 29, 1894, being in print, were approved without reading.

#### PROXIES RECOGNIZED.

Proxies from the following-named Lodges were presented, and, being found in form, the Brethren designated were duly recognized:

AURORA LODGE, Fitchburg, in favor of W. Bro. Samuel W. Sawyer.

BETHANY LODGE, Merrimac, in favor of W. Bro. William F. Ward.

CHARLES C. DAME LODGE, Georgetown, in favor of W. Bro. Hiram N. Harriman.

HAYDEN LODGE, Brookfield, in favor of Bro. George H. Coolidge.

LA FAYETTE LODGE, North Adams, in favor of Bro. Lewis Perkins.

MECHANICS' LODGE, Turner's Falls, in favor of R.W. Bro. Hiram O. Smith.

MIDDLESEX LODGE, Framingham, in favor of W. Bro. William Nicholson.

PALESTINE LODGE, Everett, in favor of W. Bro. Columbus Corey.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, Chile, in favor of Bro. Miner L. H. Leavitt.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, Newburyport, in favor of Bro. Benjamin J. Warton.

SATUCKET LODGE, East Bridgewater, in favor of Bro. Herbert T. Packard.

STAR LODGE, Athol, in favor of W. Bro. George H. Foye.

WYOMING LODGE, Melrose, in favor of W. Bro. Sidney H. Buttrick.

## PETITION FOR CHARTER OF MERIDIAN SUN LODGE.

The Recording Grand Secretary presented the following petition from the Brethren of Meridian Sun Lodge (U. D.), praying for a Charter, and, on his motion, the same was referred to the Committee on By-Laws and Charters:

NORTH BROOKFIELD, MASS., Dec. 10, 1894.

TO THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS: We, the undersigned, Master Masons, to whom the Most Worshipful Grand Master issued a Dispensation, bearing date December 28, A. D. 1893, A. L. 5893, empowering us to form and open a Lodge, now returning our Dispensation, with a Record of all our proceedings and our By-Laws, respectfully pray, if these be approved, for a Charter of Constitution, empowering us, with those who may hereafter join us, under the name of

## MERIDIAN SUN LODGE,

of North Brookfield, in said Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to perform all the ceremonies and discharge all the duties, at said North Brookfield, appertaining to Ancient Craft Masonry, in accordance with the Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

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FRED D. PARKMAN,  
DUDLEY C. PERKINS,  
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FRANK SIBLEY,  
JOHN R. SOUTHWORTH,  
HARRISON D. STODDARD,  
JASON T. STODDARD,  
LOYAL E. TARBELL,  
PENN TYLER,  
ARNOLD F. WALLACE,  
WILLIAM WALLEY.

The Deputy Grand Master read the following

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER:

BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE: It is a time-honored custom in our jurisdiction for the Grand Master to present to the Grand Lodge, at the Regular Quarterly Communication in December, a detailed statement of the Masonic work done under the immediate observation of the Grand Officers.

During a large portion of the past year, the state of my health has been such that it has been impossible for me to perform most of the public duties devolving upon the Grand Master. I feel under great obligation to the Deputy Grand Master, who has discharged those offices in a manner so acceptable, as fully appears by the reports of the respective ceremonies set forth in our printed Proceedings.



The following is a brief summary of the Masonic work performed by the Grand Officers during the past year:

SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

June 16. A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in North Attleboro', to lay the corner-stone of the Richards Memorial Library. The Grand Lodge was escorted from the place of opening to the site of the new building by Bristol Lodge; and after the ceremony the procession returned to the Hall of that Lodge. The R.W. Deputy Grand Master officiated as Grand Master.

July 23. A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in Nahant, to lay the corner-stone of a Public Library Building. The Grand Lodge was escorted on this occasion by Mount Carmel and Golden Fleece Lodges, Lynn. The Address was delivered by the Deputy Grand Master, who officiated as Grand Master.

September 29. A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in the Roxbury District of the city of Boston, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new house of worship of the First Universalist Society, Roxbury. The Grand Lodge was escorted on this occasion by Washington Lodge. The introductory services were participated in by several clergymen, after which the corner-stone was laid according to the old customs of Masonry. R.W. Samuel Wells, Past Grand Master, by authority of a special warrant, officiated as Grand Master.

The occasion was of special interest to Washington Lodge from the fact that the corner-stone of the original edifice was laid by that Lodge on the 28th of July, 1820, and



the Brethren accordingly were present with full ranks, and made a fine appearance.

October 10. A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in Merrimac, for the purpose of dedicating the new Masonic apartments of Bethany Lodge. The ceremony was conducted by the Deputy Grand Master, and he reports the new accommodations as well adapted for the purposes of the Lodge, and that all the cost has been paid, mostly by voluntary contributions.

October 29. A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was opened in the Masonic Temple, Boston, for the purpose of consecrating a Burial Lot, and dedicating a monument in Mount Hope Cemetery, presented to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts by Brother John H. Collamore. A large number of Grand Officers, Permanent Members, and Representatives of Lodges were present.

The Grand Lodge, under the escort of Boston and De Molay Commanderies, proceeded to the Providence Station, where cars were taken for Forest Hills. Thence the march was continued to Mount Hope Cemetery.

A large number of spectators was present; the prepared order of service was effectively rendered, and all seemed to feel that a great and important work had been well done.

Bro. John H. Collamore, by his repeated generosity, places the Fraternity in Massachusetts under great obligations.

The first interment in this Burial Lot was made December 4, 1894, the remains being those of Brother Thomas T. Milne, of Acacia Lodge, No. 61, Hamilton, Ontario. They were buried under the direction of Beth-horon Lodge, of Brookline.

## SPECIAL WARRANTS AND RETURNS UPON THE SAME.

April 16, 1894. To R.W. David T. Remington, D.D.G. Master, District No. 13, to hold an exemplification of the work and lectures of our ritual. Executed May 4, at Masonic Hall, Orange.

April 18. To R.W. Lovell L. Gage, D.D.G. Master, District No. 17, to hold an exemplification of the work and lectures of our ritual. Executed April 19, at Masonic Hall, Warren.

May 28. To R.W. Edward P. Chapin, D.D.G. Master, District No. 16, to hold an exemplification of the work and lectures of our ritual. Executed June 1, at Masonic Hall, Springfield.

October 9. To R.W. Eugene C. Upton, D.D.G. Master, District No. 2, to heal John H. Grout, Jr. Executed October 9, within the Body of Aberdour Lodge, at Masonic Temple, Boston.

November 20. To R.W. Joseph H. Gleason, D.D.G. Master, District No. 3, to heal James Edward Blaisdell. Executed November 28, within the Body of Robert Lasch Lodge, at Masonic Hall, Chelsea.

## GRAND LECTURERS.

A change has been made in the manner of conducting the office of Grand Lecturer. Two very competent Brethren have been appointed, W. Bro. Frank W. Kaan, Past Master of John Abbot Lodge, of Somerville, for the Eastern part of the State, and W. Bro. Chauncey E. Peck, Past Master of Newton Lodge, of Wilbraham, for the Western part of the State. The services of these Brethren are paid

for by the Grand Lodge, at the rate of ten dollars per day while actually employed, and also the railroad fares; leaving those whom they instruct responsible only for the entertainment of the Grand Lecturer while he is with them. The total cost to the Grand Lodge for the services and expenses of these officers during the past year has been \$650.73. Their duties appear to have been performed in the most acceptable and satisfactory manner.

Their reports are as follows:

IN GRAND LODGE, Dec. 12, 1894.

OTIS E. WELD, Esq., *Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts*:

DEAR SIR AND MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER: I present the following report of my services as Grand Lecturer for the past year:

Visits to Lodges at which District Exemplifications were held,	
all in District No. 24 . . . . .	3
Visits to other Lodges at which instruction was given . . . . .	21
Visits to Lodges for the purpose of installing officers . . . . .	2
Visits to Lodges other than above stated . . . . .	25
Total . . . . .	51

Considerable inequality exists among the Lodges, as to correctness in rendering the ritual, and strength of interest in the work and life of the Lodge. This inequality, I think, would be diminished and the general standard would be raised if the Lodges came into closer relationship with one another. I therefore suggest the desirability of more frequent District Exemplifications. I believe they should be held in every District as often as once in two years, and it seems to me worth considering, whether it would be well to make them compulsory to that extent.

Very respectfully and fraternally.

FRANK W. KAAH,  
*Grand Lecturer.*

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, Dec. 12, 1881

OTIS E. WELD, Esq., *Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts*

DEAR SIR AND MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER: I beg leave to present the following report of my services as Grand Lecturer during the past year:

I have attended Exemplifications of the Work and Lecture in the Thirteenth, Sixteenth, and Seventeenth Districts, and have made fifty-six visits to Lodges, including eleven visits by invitation of District Deputy Grand Master of the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Districts, on the occasion of their official visitations.

My expenses have been as follows:

Cash paid for railroad tickets . . . . .	\$7
Deduct value of tickets now on hand . . . . .	1
Net amount of travelling expenses . . . . .	\$6

Fraternally submitted,

CHAUNCEY E. PECK,  
*Grand Lecturer*

#### VISITATIONS.

The following visits to Lodges have been made by Deputy Grand Master:

January 2. To Revere Lodge, of Boston, to witness work of the third degree.

January 9. To Beth-horon Lodge, of Brookline, and witnessed the installation of officers by W. Brother Albert Harwood.

March 6. To Revere Lodge, on the occasion of the presentation of a gold watch to Bro. William A. Cooke in recognition of his long service as Chaplain of the Lodge.

March 12. To Bethesda Lodge, of Brighton, for purpose of attending the seventy-fifth anniversary of

organization of the Lodge. There were also present the following-named Grand Officers: R.W. Charles S. Robertson, Junior Grand Warden; R.W. Sereno D. Nickerson, Recording Grand Secretary; W. and Rev. Edward A. Horton, Grand Chaplain; and W. Albert L. Harwood, Senior Grand Steward. An historical address was delivered by W. Bro George B. Livermore, a Past Master of the Lodge. Interesting remarks were made by several of the Grand Officers, and the exercises were greatly enjoyed by a large company of Brethren and ladies.

March 21. Attended a social assembly of the members of Joseph Webb Lodge and their lady friends in Cotillion Hall, Mechanics' Building, in Boston.

April 10. Visited King Solomon's Lodge, of Charlestown, and witnessed an exemplification of the three degrees.

April 19. Attended a Communication of Mt. Vernon Lodge, of Malden, and saw the work of the third degree. The occasion was made specially interesting by the presence of the Grand Master of New Hampshire and more than one hundred Brethren from that jurisdiction.

June 24. Attended the celebration of St. John the Baptist's Day by Wyoming Lodge, of Melrose, and listened to a sermon by Rev. Bro. Julian S. Cutler. About seven hundred Brethren were present, and the services were most impressive.

November 15. Attended Beth-horon Lodge, of Brookline, on the occasion of the official visitation by R.W. Bro. Lewis M. Crane, District Deputy Grand Master.

November 30. Celebrated the Feast of St. Andrew, with the Lodge of St. Andrew, of Boston.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Advantage was taken of the summer vacation to lay floors in the third, fifth and sixth stories of the Temple, those in the second and fourth having been renewed the year. A new floor was also laid behind the counters of the Home Savings Bank, the other portion was already covered with tiles; the whole office was also painted — all to the great satisfaction of the tenants, and at an expense of \$10,000.

During the summer, the Corinthian and Egyptian Halls were re-wired for electric lights, changing the entire plan of lighting both Halls, removing the unsightly chandeliers which disfigured the former, and greatly improving the illumination of the latter. The strong light thrown upon the interior of Corinthian Hall by the new system rendered it absolutely necessary to paint the walls and ceiling, and thus the beauties in this admirably decorated Hall have been brought to our attention. These improvements have been made at an expense of about one thousand dollars.

The carpets in Egyptian and Sodality Halls, having done good service for twenty-seven years, have been removed to more ignoble uses and their places supplied by new fabrics at a cost of eighteen hundred dollars.

A policy to the amount of \$10,000 has been taken out of the Travelers Insurance Company, insuring, for the term of five years, against liability for accidents from the running of the elevator and to employees and others in and about the Temple — all at a premium of three hundred and fifty dollars.

There are 234 Lodges under our jurisdiction, including two under Dispensation, four in Chile, South America, and one in Shanghai, China.



The number of affiliated members was :

Aug. 31, 1894 . . . . .	34,703
Aug. 31, 1893 . . . . .	33,936
Increase . . . . .	<u>767</u>

The number of initiates for the year ending Aug. 31, 1893,	
was . . . . .	1,884
In 1894 it was . . . . .	1,661
Decrease . . . . .	<u>223</u>

The amount collected from Lodges for annual dues and	
initiates is . . . . .	\$10,560 00
Last year it was . . . . .	11,650 00
Decrease . . . . .	<u>\$1,090 00</u>

The travelling expenses of the Deputies are . . . . .	\$906 37
Last year they were . . . . .	973 77
Decrease . . . . .	<u>\$67 40</u>

The Deputies of the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, and 26th Districts, R.W. Bros. E. Bentley Young, Eugene C. Up-ton, Joseph H. Gleason, Henry B. Chandler, Lewis M. Crane, and James E. McCreery, have not rendered any bill for expenses.

The rents received are :

From Masonic Bodies . . . . .	\$13,753 00
Business tenants . . . . .	12,500 00
Steam-heat . . . . .	445 00
	<u>\$26,698 00</u>
Last year it was . . . . .	26,717 17
Decrease . . . . .	<u>\$19 17</u>

The rents are all collected, except \$103 due from  
Masonic Body.

The assessed valuation of the Temple is the same as  
last year . . . . . \$561,000

The amount of taxes the same as last year . . . . . \$7,180

The amount of insurance is the same as last year:

On building . . . . .	\$165,000
paintings . . . . .	4,000
library . . . . .	7,000
furniture and fixtures . . . . .	26,810
organ . . . . .	2,180
Total . . . . .	<u>\$205,000</u>

There is also a Policy of \$10,000, for the term of  
years, from November 24, 1894, on the building and eleva  
against accidents or casualties.

The expenses of the Quarterly Meetings of the Deput  
were :

December, 1893 . . . . .	\$4
March, 1894 . . . . .	4
June, 1894 . . . . .	3
September, 1894 . . . . .	3
	<u>\$14</u>
Last year they were . . . . .	18
Decrease . . . . .	<u>\$3</u>

The receipts and expenditures of the Grand Lodge  
as follows :



## RECEIPTS.

Rents . . . . .	\$26,253 00
Paid by tenants for steam-heat . . . . .	445 00
Paid by tenants for water . . . . .	40 00
Refunded by City of Boston (error) . . . . .	10 00
Annual dues from Lodges and fees for initiates . . . . .	10,560 00
Annual dues from China . . . . .	55 00
Capitation tax . . . . .	48 00
Dispensation . . . . .	15 00
Sale of old carpet . . . . .	50 00
Tickets sold for Feast of St. John . . . . .	450 00
Meridian Sun Lodge (U. D.) . . . . .	20 00
Healing . . . . .	30 00
Interest . . . . .	139 30
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	\$38,115 30
Balance from last year . . . . .	12,518 22
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Total . . . . .	<u>\$50,633 52</u>

## EXPENDITURES.

Taxes . . . . .	\$7,180 80
Insurance . . . . .	504 10
Lighting . . . . .	1,287 15
Coal . . . . .	745 98
Supplies for superintendent and engineer . . . . .	127 20
Telephone service . . . . .	120 00
Cleaning Temple . . . . .	686 30
Water bills and sprinkling streets . . . . .	228 30
Ice . . . . .	30 00
Repairs on Temple . . . . .	3,120 23
Furniture and carpets . . . . .	1,864 50
Salary of Recording Grand Secretary . . . . .	2,500 00
Grand Lecturer . . . . .	666 66
Grand Treasurer . . . . .	500 00
Superintendent . . . . .	1,240 00
Engineer . . . . .	1,000 00
Assistance for Grand Secretary's office . . . . .	1,200 00
Watchman, and elevator service . . . . .	733 00
Care of coat-room . . . . .	433 33
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Carried forward . . . . .	\$24,167 55

<i>Brought forward</i> . . . . .	\$24,167
Printing . . . . .	1,272
Binding . . . . .	168
Music . . . . .	192
Stationery and postage in Grand Treasurer's office . .	13
Expenses of Grand Officers . . . . .	400
Travelling expenses of District Deputies . . . . .	906
Quarterly meetings of District Deputies . . . . .	144
Feast of St. John . . . . .	602
Trustees of Masonic Education and Charity Trust . .	10,000
Mileage Ticket for Grand Lecturer . . . . .	20
Grand Lecturers' services . . . . .	630
Charity . . . . .	1,200
Repairs on Furniture . . . . .	17
Balance on hand . . . . .	10,899
Total . . . . .	<u>\$50,633</u>

The Grand Charity Fund consists of the following property :

Ten bonds of the city of Cincinnati, Ohio (Hospital), 7 $\frac{3}{8}$ per cent., of \$1,000 each . . . . .	\$10,000
One city of Boston public park construction loan bond, 4 per cent (registered), No. 6095 . . . . .	5,000
Ten water-loan bonds of the city of Cambridge, Mass., 4 per cent., of \$1,000 each, Nos. 915-24 . . . . .	10,000
Five water-fund bonds of the city of Medford, Mass., 4 per cent., of \$1,000 each, Nos. 61 and 65-8 . . . . .	5,000
Five building-fund bonds of the city of Medford, Mass., 4 per cent., of \$1,000 each, Nos. 1-5 . . . . .	5,000
Five certificates of indebtedness of the Eastern Rail- road Company, of \$1,000 each, 6 per cent., Nos. 146-8, 1686, and 4852 . . . . .	5,000
Fifty shares of the Vermont & Massachusetts Railroad Company, 6 per cent. certificate No. 6492 . . . . .	5,000
Five mortgage sinking-fund bonds of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, 4 per cent., of \$1,000 each, Nos. 7617, 8294, 12801-2, and 13509 . .	5,000
<i>Carried forward</i> . . . . .	<u>\$50,000</u>

<i>Brought forward</i> . . . . .	\$50,000 00
Ten bonds of the Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation, 4 per cent., of \$1,000 each, Nos. 1730-1, 1802-6, 1861-2, and 1871 . . . . .	10,000 00
Fifty shares of the capital stock of the Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation, 7 per cent. certificate No. 7438 . . . . .	5,000 00
One improvement bond of the Boston & Maine Railroad, 4 per cent. (registered), No. 184 . . . . .	5,000 00
Five bonds of the Fitchburg Railroad Company, 5 per cent., of \$1,000 each, Nos. 1619-20 and 1639-41 . . . . .	5,000 00
Ten consolidated mortgage bonds of the Maine Central Railroad Company, 7 per cent., of \$1,000 each, Nos. A. 661, 951, and 968; B. 3581; C. 1390, 1395, 1493, 2668-9, and 2687 . . . . .	10,000 00
Five bonds of the Concord & Montreal Railroad Company, 4 per cent., of \$1,000 each, Nos. 2262-3, 3968, and 4762-3 . . . . .	5,000 00
One bond of the Boston & Albany Railroad Company, 4 per cent., No. 646 . . . . .	1,000 00
Cash deposited in the Third National Bank . . . . .	54 36
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	\$91,054 36

## SIGOURNEY FUND.

The amount of the Sigourney Fund, Dec. 13, 1893, was	\$6,000 00
The amount of income on hand was . . . . .	541 13

1894.

## RECEIPTS.

Jan. 27. Dividend of the Provident Institution for Savings, in January, 1894 . . . . .	124 82
Aug. 6. Dividend of the Provident Institution for Savings, in July, 1894 . . . . .	93 22
Total . . . . .	<hr/>
	\$6,759 17

1893.

## EXPENDITURES.

Dec. 27. Cash paid Robert T. Delano, Wor. Master, one hundred dollars, for the benefit of Mrs. Lizzie Robinson, widow of Bro. Michael Robinson . . . . .	
<i>Carried forward</i> . . . . .	<hr/>
	\$6,759 17

	<i>Brought forward</i> . . . . .		\$6,75
	inson, a former member of Social Harmony Lodge, of Wareham, Mass. . . . .	\$100 00	
1893.			
Dec. 27.	Cash paid George W. Holbrook, Wor. Master, fifty dollars, for the benefit of Bro. David S. Kelly, a member of King Hiram Lodge, of Provincetown, Mass. .	50 00	
" "	Cash paid Joseph D. Benson, Mas- ter, fifty dollars, for the benefit of Mrs. Cyrus A. Bates, widow of a former member of Puritan Lodge, of Whitman, Mass. . . . .	50 00	
" "	Cash paid James N. Greenwood, Wor. Master, one hundred dol- lars, for the benefit of Bro. Alonzo Bowers, a member of Monitor Lodge, of Waltham, Mass. . .	100 00	
1894.			
Mch. 22.	Cash paid Frank R. Mantor, Wor. Master, seventy-five dollars, for the benefit of Bro. Charles Hum- phreys, a member of Jerusalem Lodge, of Northampton, Mass. .	75 00	
" "	Cash paid Rollin C. Ward, Wor. Master, twenty-five dollars, for the benefit of Bro. Jonathan Ly- man, a member of Harmony Lodge . . . . .	25 00	
" "	Cash paid Frank Tisdale, Wor. Master, fifty dollars, for the ben- efit of Bro. Joseph F. Allen, a member of Cochichewick Lodge, North Andover, Mass. . . . .	50 00	
Oct. 9.	Cash paid George B. Dinsmore, Wor. Master, fifty dollars, for the benefit of Mrs. A. E. Crawford, of Lancaster, Mass. . . . .	50 00	
			500
	Balance on hand . . . . .		\$6,250

The amount of the Sigourney Fund, Dec. 12, 1894, is . . . . .	\$6,000 00
The amount of the income is . . . . .	259 17
Total . . . . .	<u>\$6,259 17</u>

## ANTHONY S. JONES FUND.

The amount of the Anthony S. Jones Fund, Dec. 13, 1893, was . . . . .	\$100 00
The amount of the income was . . . . .	5 08
Total . . . . .	<u>\$105 08</u>

## RECEIPTS.

1894.	
Dividend of the Home Savings Bank in April, 1894 . . . . .	2 10
“ “ “ “ “ “ October, 1894 . . . . .	2 14
Total . . . . .	<u>\$109 32</u>
The amount of the Anthony S. Jones Fund, December, 1894, is . . . . .	\$100 00
The amount of the income on hand, Dec. 12, 1894, is . . . . .	9 32
	<u>\$109 32</u>

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE,

*Treasurer.*

The careful and judicious management of these funds and their excellent condition must afford the Fraternity of this Commonwealth very great satisfaction. I congratulate the Grand Lodge on the harmony, loyalty, and general prosperity which prevail throughout our jurisdiction.

OTIS E. WELD,

*Grand Master.*

The Address of the M.W. Grand Master was referred to a committee consisting of R.W. George

H. Rhodes and W. Brothers Henry S. Rowe and  
Charles M. Green.

# REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

W. Bro. Daniel J. Poore presented the following report of the Auditing Committee, which was accepted, and ordered to be spread upon the Records:

IN GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS, Dec. 12, 1894

Your Auditing Committee respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Grand Treasurer and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all expenditures, and balance in hand as follows:

Balance on hand, Dec. 13, 1893 . . . . .	\$12,514
Receipts from all sources . . . . .	38,111
Total balance and receipts . . . . .	\$50,625
Paid as per vouchers . . . . .	39,738
Balance on hand, Dec. 12, 1894 . . . . .	<u>\$10,887</u>

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD R. PRICE,

DANIEL J. POORE,

JNO. M. RAYMOND,

*Auditing Committee*

# APPROPRIATION TO EDUCATION AND CHARITY TRUSTS

R.W. Charles A. Welch presented the following vote of the Board of Directors:

MASONIC TEMPLE, BOSTON, Dec. 11, 1894.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held this day, it was unanimously voted, That the Board recommend to the Grand Lodge, at its Quarterly Communication, to be held on the 12th instant, to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) out of the surplus receipts of the past year, to be paid into the "Masonic Education and Charity Trust."

A true copy from the Records.

Attest:

SERENO D. NICKERSON,  
*Clerk of the Board of Directors.*

Upon motion of Bro. Welch, it was thereupon unanimously

*Voted*, That the sum of ten thousand dollars be appropriated out of the surplus receipts of the past year, to the "Masonic Education and Charity Trust," and that the Grand Treasurer be instructed to pay over said sum to the Treasurer of said Trust.

#### USE OF INCOME OF GRAND CHARITY FUND.

R.W. Charles A. Welch presented the following vote of the Board of Directors:

MASONIC TEMPLE, BOSTON, Dec. 11, 1894.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held this day, it was unanimously voted to recommend to the Grand Lodge the adoption of the following preamble and resolution:

*Whereas*, The ten years have expired, during which the income of the Grand Charity Fund, created by the Grand Lodge, was ordered to be added to, and become a part of the principal of said Fund;

*Voted*, That the income of the Grand Charity Fund, during the next ten years, shall, from year to year, be added to, and become a part of, the principal of that Fund.

Attest:

SERENO D. NICKERSON,  
*Clerk of the Board of Directors.*

Upon motion of R.W. Bro. Welch, the foregoing preamble and vote were unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge.

#### DECLINATION OF THE GRAND MASTER.

R.W. Bro. Welch presented the following letter from the M.W. Grand Master:

*To the Officers and Members of the M.W. Grand Lodge of  
Masons in Massachusetts:*

BRETHREN: Owing to the state of my health, I find it impossible for me to perform satisfactorily the duties of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge. I must, therefore, decline to be a candidate for that office for the coming year.

I thank you for the kindness with which you have always received my attempts to perform the duties of the office.

Yours truly and fraternally,

OTIS E. WELD.

BROOKLINE, Dec. 12, 1894.



Upon motion of R.W. Samuel Wells, it was voted that the Recording Grand Secretary be requested to prepare a resolution expressive of the sympathy of the Grand Lodge and our regret at the cause which has rendered necessary this action of the Grand Master.

#### ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS.

The hour assigned by the Grand Constitutions for the election of Grand Officers having arrived, the Deputy Grand Master called Past Grand Master Samuel Wells to the chair and withdrew from the Hall, escorted by the Grand Marshal, the Grand Deacons, and the Grand Stewards. The Brethren were then called from labor to refreshment.

Upon resuming labor, the Recording Grand Secretary presented the following report as to the number of votes which might legally be cast:

47 Grand Officers present, entitled to . . . .	47 votes.
27 Permanent Members present, entitled to .	27 "
156 Lodges represented, entitled to . . . .	468 "
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Total . . . . .	542 "

## ELECTION OF GRAND MASTER.

The ballots being cast for Grand Master, the committee reported that there was no choice. A second ballot being taken, R.W. Edwin B. Holmes was elected by much more than the necessary two-thirds vote.

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF ELECTION TO GRAND MASTER ELECT.

The Presiding Officer appointed the Past Grand Masters present, R.W. Charles C. Danforth, Sereno D. Nickerson, Charles A. Welch, and Samuel C. Lawrence, as a committee to wait upon the Grand Master elect and escort him to the East. The committee attended to their duty, and soon returned, accompanied by the Grand Master elect. R.W. Bro. Wells addressed him as follows:

R.W. EDWIN B. HOLMES: The eminent services you have rendered to this Grand Lodge in past years; the untiring industry you have displayed in the performance of every duty imposed upon you in the various Masonic offices you have ably filled; and above all the efficient and satisfactory work which you have done for this Grand Body during the past year entitle you to suitable recognition. And I now, with very great pleasure, inform you that in recompense for your faithfulness, your zeal, and your eminent ability, the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts has elected you to the high

office in its gift, that of Grand Master. We not only believe, but we know, that you will perform the duties of that distinguished position with the same zeal and ability that you have heretofore shown, and which have won our love and admiration.

#### RESPONSE OF GRAND MASTER ELECT.

To this address Brother Holmes replied as follows:

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL SIR: For the kind words in which you have announced to me my election as Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, I sincerely thank you.

BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE: There are times in the life of every man when he hesitates and falters at the step which he is about to take. Such a time has now come to me. A few short hours ago, I had no thought of receiving the honors which have so suddenly been bestowed upon me, by being elected Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.

I cannot say I am totally unacquainted with the duties of the office, for the position which I have held the past year has made me familiar with most of those duties. It is therefore with all the more misgiving that I accept the position. I undertake the duties of the office with fear and trembling. Your interest and that of the Grand Lodge I shall endeavor to look after and attend to loyally, carefully, and justly. If in the past my efforts in the interest of Masonry and my services in behalf of this Grand Lodge have met with your approval, I feel amply rewarded, and I hope and trust I may so conduct the affairs of

this Grand Body for the ensuing year as to merit your approbation.

Brethren, I thank you for this highest of all honors which you have conferred upon me.

#### ELECTION CONTINUED.

The election of Grand Officers was resumed and the following-named Brethren were duly elected to the respective offices enumerated:

- R.W. GEORGE F. WALKER, of Stoughton, Senior Grand Warden.
- " HENRY J. MILLS, of East Saugus, Junior Grand Warden.
- " JOHN CARR, of Roxbury, Grand Treasurer.
- " SERENO D. NICKERSON, of Cambridge, Recording Grand Secretary.
- " CHARLES A. WELCH, of Cohasset,
- " SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE, of Medford,
- " HENRY ENDICOTT, of Cambridge,
- " CHARLES C. HUTCHINSON, of Lowell,
- W. EDWARD R. PRICE, of N. Attleboro',
- " DANIEL J. POORE, of Merrimac,
- " JOHN M. RAYMOND, of Salem,
- " THEODORE C. BATES, of Worcester, Trustee of the Mason Education and Charity Trust, for eight years from Jan. 1895.

} Directors for two years.

} Auditing Committee

#### ELECTION OF DIRECTOR FOR ONE YEAR.

W. Bro. Charles T. Gallagher was elected member of the Board of Directors, to fill the vacancy caused by the election of R.W. Edwin B. Holmes as Grand Master.

## PRESENTATION OF ADDITIONAL BURIAL LOT.

The R.W. Deputy Grand Master read the following letter:

BOSTON, MASS., Nov. 24, 1894.

OTIS E. WELD, ESQ., *Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts:*

ILL. SIR AND BROTHER: Once more it gives me pleasure to offer for your acceptance, in behalf of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, (and to become a part of the Burial Lot recently presented to you by me), the enclosed deed for additional land, of about 2,000 feet, making a total of 5,500 feet, or more. It has also in addition a 5-foot border on three sides, for ornamental uses, thus making a very respectable lot; also a bond for perpetual care of the same.

Fraternally,

JOHN H. COLLAMORE.

Upon motion of R.W. Charles C. Dame, it was

*Voted*, That the deed and bond be accepted, and that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be returned to Bro. Collamore for his munificent gift.

## APPROPRIATION FOR CHARITY.

Upon motion of W. Bro. Z. L. Bicknell, it was

*Voted*, That the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for the use of the Committee on Charity, to be disbursed under the supervision of the Board of Directors.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS AND CHARTERS

R. W. Henry G. Fay, in behalf of the Committee, presented the following report, which was accepted and ordered to be spread upon the Records:

IN GRAND LODGE, BOSTON, Dec. 12, 1894.

The Committee on By-Laws and Charters have examined and approved, without change, amendments to the By-Laws of the following named Lodges: Zetland, of Boston; Winslow, of Boston; Lewis, of Boston; Faith, of Charlestown; Belcher, of Chicopee Falls; Brigham, of Ludlow; Star of Bethlehem, of Chelsea; Starr King, of Salem; and Grecian, of Lawrence.

Meridian Sun Lodge, of North Brookfield, which has been working under a Dispensation during the past year, applied for a Charter. The Records and By-Laws have been examined by your Committee; the former have been faithfully kept. Some suggestions have, however, been added by your Committee, and with some changes in the By-Laws, the latter have been approved.

We recommend that a Charter be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY ENDICOTT,

FRANK T. DWINELL,

HENRY G. FAY,

*Committee on Charters and By-Laws.*

## CHARTER GRANTED TO MERIDIAN SUN LODGE.

The question being taken upon the adoption of the recommendation of the Committee on

By-Laws and Charters, that a Charter be granted to Meridian Sun Lodge, of North Brookfield, it was decided unanimously in the affirmative.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUAL.

IN GRAND LODGE, Dec. 12, 1894.

The Committee on the Ritual beg leave to report on the subject referred to them at the September Communication of the Grand Lodge, and recommend the adoption of the following preamble and vote:

*Whereas*, certain unauthorized practices tend to corrupt the work and lectures of this Grand Lodge, and deceive the Craft; *and, Whereas*, certain printed books, purporting to be cipher keys to the ritual, or parts thereof, of this Grand Lodge, have been found in circulation in this jurisdiction; it is *Voted*, That hereafter any Mason, under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, who shall print, or cause to be printed, any such book or sheets, or buy or sell the same, or cause the same to be bought or sold, or who shall use or circulate the same, shall be liable to expulsion from the rights and privileges of Freemasonry, or to be otherwise punished, by vote of the Grand Lodge at any Quarterly Communication thereof.

Fraternally submitted,

SERENO D. NICKERSON,	} Committee on Ritual
CHARLES C. DAME,	
CHARLES LEVI WOODBURY,	
IVORY H. POPE,	
HENRY ENDICOTT,	
SAMUEL WELLS,	

The report was accepted and the recommendation of the Committee was adopted by unanimous vote.

#### EXPRESSION OF REGRET AND SYMPATHY.

The Recording Grand Secretary proposed the following testimonial to the M.W. Grand Master, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

*Whereas*, The Grand Lodge has this day received the announcement that the Grand Master, M.W. Otis E. Webb has felt compelled, by the state of his health, to decline further service in that office;

*Therefore, Resolved*, That we, his associates in the Grand Lodge, beg leave to tender to him our sincere regret for the cause which has led to this decision; to gratefully acknowledge his numerous and valuable services to the Fraternity and especially to this Grand Lodge; while sincerely hope that he may soon be restored to perfect health and to his honored place in our ranks.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF GRAND CONSTITUTIONS.

R.W. Thomas W. Davis moved:

That that part of Part III., Article VII., Section 2, of the Grand Constitutions, which relates to the Jewels of the subordinate Lodge, be referred to a committee, with instructions to report the same in a new draft, and to provide for a Jewel for the Inside Sentinel.



The motion was adopted, and the subject was referred to a committee consisting of R.W. Brothers Thomas W. Davis and Charles S. Robertson, and W. Bro. Geo. Ellis Reed.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF DEATH OF BRO. DE WITT C. JANSEN.

The Recording Grand Secretary stated that, by the kindness of Brother H. Mason Perkins, a former member of Ancient Landmark Lodge, of Shanghai, China, he had this day received a copy of *The China Gazette*, of the 7th of November last, containing an account of the sudden death of the District Deputy Grand Master of our China District, R.W. De Witt Clinton Jansen.

It occurred on the evening of the 6th of November, under peculiarly startling and tragic circumstances. He was presiding at the installation of the officers of Ancient Landmark Lodge. The exercises commenced a little before nine o'clock, in the presence of about sixty Brethren. He completed the installation of the Worshipful Master, which he had conducted in a very impressive manner. It was observed, however, that his memory seemed to fail him once or twice, and he made one or two trifling mistakes, which he noticed himself and called to the attention of the English District Grand Master, who sat near him and who assured him they were scarcely noticeable.

The Senior and Junior Wardens were presented, and the ceremony was about to be resumed, when Bro. Jansen suddenly fell back in his chair, gave one or two gasps for breath and became unconscious. Two physicians sprang to

his assistance and labored assiduously to restore animation but in a few moments they were obliged to announce to the anxious group that life was extinct, death being due to failure of the action of the heart.

Bro. Jansen is described as a man of an open, generous nature, straightforward, public spirited and charitable. His counsel and his purse were often drawn upon by the embarrassed and the needy, who found in him a warm and sympathetic friend. For the last ten or fifteen years he has been foremost in every public undertaking in Shanghai. No foreigner was better known or more deservedly popular throughout China.

He was born in the State of New York, and had he lived two days longer would have completed his fifty-fourth year. He went to China about thirty years ago, and was for several years employed in the Imperial Maritime Customs. He afterwards became the proprietor of the Astor House, an pretentious tavern, which his enterprise and energy transformed into a magnificent hotel. He filled for several years the position of Vice Chairman of the Municipal Council, Chairman of the Watch Committee, at the same time taking an active interest in the Shanghai Public School, the Library, the Museum and several other public institutions.

He was probably made a Mason in one of the Lodges in China, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England. He served Ancient Landmark Lodge as W. Master and Treasurer, and had held the office of District Deputy Grand Master of China for two years, by appointment of the Grand Master of Massachusetts. He enjoyed the highest respect and esteem of the Brethren of every Masonic jurisdiction represented in that country.

He was born on the 8th day of November, married on that day four and twenty years ago, and on the last anniversary his Brethren consigned his mortal remains to the grave. The funeral services were held in the Lodge-room where he died, and were attended by about two hundred and fifty of the Fraternity. He has left a widow and sons and daughters, all of whom have the deepest sympathy of the whole foreign population of the city which he had served so long and faithfully.

CLOSING.

No further business being presented, a hymn was sung, and the Grand Lodge was closed in DUE FORM, at fifteen minutes after five o'clock P.M.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sereno L. Nickerson,*

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

## STATED COMMUNICATION.

DECEMBER 27, A.L. 5894.

A STATED COMMUNICATION OF THE MOST  
 WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT  
 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS was held in the Masonic Temple, in the city of Boston, on Thursday, the twenty-seventh day of December, A.L. 5894, A.D. 1894, for the purpose of installing the Grand Officers and celebrating the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

R.W. EDWIN B. HOLMES . . . .	Deputy Grand Master.
" GEORGE W. BISHOP . . . .	Senior Grand Warden.
" CHARLES S. ROBERTSON . . .	Junior Grand Warden.
" JOHN CARR . . . . .	Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON . . .	Recording Grand Secretary.
" S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . . .	Corresponding Grand Secretary.
" CHARLES C. HUTCHINSON . .	Of Board of Directors.
" E. BENTLEY YOUNG . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 1.
" EUGENE C. UPTON . . . . .	" " " "
" JOSEPH H. GLEASON . . . .	" " " "
" QUINCY BICKNELL, JR. . . .	" " " "
" JOSIAH F. KIMBALL . . . .	" " " "
" CHAUNCEY S. RICHARDS . . .	" " " "
" ISAAC A. S. STEELE . . . .	" " " "
" CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD . .	" " " "
" FRANK L. WEAVER . . . . .	" " " "

R.W. SIDNEY P. SMITH . . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 12.
" EDWARD P. CHAPIN . . . .	" " " " 16.
" GEORGE A. STACY . . . .	" " " " 21.
" ALBERT E. BRADLEY . . . .	" " " " 22.
" HERBERT I. MITCHELL . . . .	" " " " 24.
" AMOS A. LAWRENCE . . . .	" " " " 25.
" JAMES E. MCCREERY . . . .	" " " " 26.
W. REV. JOHN CUCKSON, }	Grand Chaplains.
" " EDWARD A. HORTON, }	
" CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . . .	Grand Marshal.
" FRANK W. KAAH, }	Grand Lecturers.
" CHAUNCEY E. PECK, }	
" CHARLES T. GALLAGHER . . . .	Senior Grand Deacon.
" HENRY S. ROWE . . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
" ALBERT L. HARWOOD . . . .	Senior Grand Steward.
" J. ALFRED MESSINGER, }	Junior Grand Stewards.
" CHARLES T. BURR, }	
" WALTER F. LANSIL . . . .	Grand Sword-Bearer.
" Z. L. BICKNELL . . . .	Grand Standard-Bearer.
Bro. HOWARD M. DOW . . . .	Grand Organist.
" JOHN H. CHESTER . . . .	Grand Tyler.

## PERMANENT MEMBERS PRESENT:

R.W. CHARLES A. WELCH . . . .	Past Grand Master.
" SAMUEL WELLS . . . .	" " "
" CHARLES LEVI WOODBURY . . . .	Past Deputy Grand Master.
" FREDERICK D. ELY . . . .	" " " "
" BENJAMIN A. GOULD . . . .	" " " "
" FRANK T. DWINELL . . . .	" " " "
" DANIEL W. LAWRENCE . . . .	Past Grand Warden.
" SOLON W. STEVENS . . . .	" " "
" BAALIS SANFORD . . . .	" " "
" ANDREW C. STONE . . . .	" " "
" CHARLES H. NORRIS . . . .	" " "
" WILLIAM H. H. SOULE . . . .	" " "
" CHARLES HARRIS . . . .	" " "
" DANA J. FLANDERS . . . .	" " "
" GEORGE H. RHODES . . . .	" " "
" J. ALBERT BLAKE . . . .	" " "
" HENRY G. JORDAN . . . .	" " "

Many Lodges were represented by their Masters and Wardens, and after the preliminary exercises a considerable number of Master Masons, members, were admitted.

The Grand Lodge was opened in DUE FEELING at four o'clock P.M., prayer being offered by W. Rev. John Cuckson, Grand Chaplain.

The Deputy Grand Master stated that the members were assembled, in accordance with the requirements of the Grand Constitutions, for the purpose of installing the Grand Officers and celebrating the Anniversary of Saint John the Evangelist. Having called R.W. Samuel W. Past Grand Master, to the chair, the Deputy Grand Master retired from the Hall, escorted by the Grand Marshal, the Grand Deacons, and the Grand Stewards.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARITY.

R.W. Charles A. Welch, in behalf of the Committee, presented the following report:

##### *To the M.W. Grand Lodge of Massachusetts:*

The Charity Committee respectfully report, That the Grand Lodge appropriated to the use of this Committee the sum of \$500, in December, 1893, and at each of the Communications held in June and September, 1894, a like sum, the

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amounting to \$1,500; that the Committee drew from the Grand Treasurer during the year ending December 12, 1894, \$1,200; and that there has been expended by them in charity during the past year \$1,169.57; and thus there is left in their hands \$30.43. The difference between what was appropriated and what was drawn by the Committee up to December 12, 1894, when the Grand Treasurer presented his report to the Grand Lodge, remained in the Grand Treasurer's hands and was accounted for by him, and the Charity Committee has no further claim upon it.

The expenditures of the Committee, after being examined and approved each month, in writing, by one of the Directors, designated by vote of the Board for that purpose, have been allowed by the Board.

The amount, \$500, appropriated by the Grand Lodge, at its December Communication, if drawn by the Charity Committee, or such part of it as may be drawn, together with the \$30.43 remaining in the hands of the Committee from the amount drawn by them last year, will be used for charity purposes, and after being each month examined as above and allowed by the Board of Directors will be accounted for at the end of the coming year.

CHARLES A. WELCH,  
*Chairman of Charity Committee.*

Boston, December 27, 1894.

#### INSTALLATION OF GRAND MASTER ELECT.

R.W. Bro. Wells appointed Past Grand Masters Sereno D. Nickerson and Charles A. Welch, and Past Deputy Grand Masters Benjamin A. Gould



and Frank T. Dwinell, as a committee to  
upon the Grand Master elect and escort him to  
East for installation. That duty having been  
formed, he was conducted to the altar, and the  
installing prayer was offered by W. Rev. Edward  
Horton, Grand Chaplain. R.W. Bro. Wells  
invested Bro. Holmes with the various insignia  
the office, in manner and form according to  
time-honored usage of this Grand Lodge.

Upon the conclusion of the service, the Brethren  
present, to the number of one hundred and twenty-  
six, joined in procession and saluted the  
Grand Master in due and ancient form,  
which the Grand Marshal duly proclaimed. Master  
Edwin B. Holmes as Grand Master of Masons of  
Massachusetts.

#### INSTALLATION OF OTHER ELECTED GRAND OFFICERS

The Grand Master installed the following-named  
Brethren in the respective offices to which  
had been elected:

R.W. GEORGE F. WALKER . . . . .	Senior Grand Warden
" HENRY J. MILLS . . . . .	Junior Grand Warden
" JOHN CARR . . . . .	Grand Treasurer.
" SERENO D. NICKERSON . . . . .	Recording Grand Secretary

The Grand Marshal duly proclaimed the Grand  
Wardens as installed in AMPLE FORM.



The M.W. Grand Master announced the following

APPOINTMENTS:

- R.W. S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE, Cambridge, Deputy Grand Master.  
 " WM. L. RICHARDSON, M.D., Boston, Cor. Grand Secretary.  
 " E. BENTLEY YOUNG, Boston, D.D.G. Master, District No. 1.  
 " EUGENE C. UPTON, Boston, D.D.G. Master, District No. 2.  
 " JOSEPH H. GLEASON, Somerville, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 3.  
 " JAMES T. SHERMAN, M.D., Dorchester, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 4.  
 " LEWIS M. CRANE, Brookline, D.D.G. Master, District No. 5.  
 " QUINCY BICKNELL, Jr., Lexington, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 6.  
 " JOSIAH F. KIMBALL, Lynn, D.D.G. Master, District No. 7.  
 " CHAUNCEY S. RICHARDS, Danversport, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 8.  
 " ISAAC A. S. STEELE, Gloucester, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 9.  
 " CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD, Lawrence, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 10.  
 " FREDERICK W. FARNHAM, Lowell, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 11.  
 " SIDNEY P. SMITH, Athol, D.D.G. Master, District No. 12.  
 " FRANKLIN E. SNOW, Greenfield, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 13.  
 " ROBERT N. RICHMOND, Adams, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 14.  
 " WILLIAM P. WOOD, Pittsfield, D.D.G.M., District No. 15.  
 " EDWIN A. BLODGETT, Springfield, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 16.  
 " WILLIAM S. CLARK, Granby, D.D.G. Master, District No. 17.  
 " CHAS. A. PEABODY, M.D., Worcester, D.D.G.M., Dist. No. 18.  
 " LOAMMI B. CARR, Whitinsville, D.D.G.M., District No. 19.  
 " CLIFFORD A. COOK, Milford, D.D.G. Master, District No. 20.  
 " GEORGE A. STACY, Marlboro', D.D.G. Master, District No. 21.  
 " ALBERT E. BRADLEY, Hyde Park, D.D.G.M., District No. 22.  
 " SOLON R. WRIGHT, Taunton, D.D.G. Master, District No. 23.  
 " ERNEST W. CALKINS, N. Abington, D.D.G.M., District No. 24.  
 " AMOS A. LAWRENCE, Cohasset, D.D.G. Master, Dist. No. 25.  
 " JAMES E. MCCREERY, Fall River, D.D.G.M., District No. 26.  
 " GILBERT L. SMITH, Vineyard Haven, D.D.G.M., District No. 27.  
 " EDWARD L. CHASE, Hyannis, D.D.G.M., District No. 28.  
 " PETER EWING, Santiago, D.D. Grand Master for Chile.  
 W. REV. JOHN CUCKSON, Boston, }  
 " " EDWARD A. HORTON, Boston, } Grand Chaplains.  
 " CHARLES E. PHIPPS, Boston, Grand Marshal.  
 " FRANK W. KAN, Somerville, }  
 " CHAUNCEY E. PECK, Wilbraham, } Grand Lecturers.

- W. HENRY S. ROWE, Boston, Senior Grand Deacon.  
 " CHARLES W. DAME, Newburyport, Junior Grand Deacon.  
 " ALBERT L. HARWOOD, Newton, Senior Grand Steward.  
 " J. ALFRED MESSINGER, Taunton, }  
 " CHARLES T. BURR, Hingham, } Junior Grand Steward.  
 " WALTER F. LANSIL, Boston, }  
 " HENRY K. DUNTON, Brookline, Grand Sword-Bearer.  
 " Z. L. BICKNEILL, East Weymouth, Grand Standard-Bearer.  
 " GEORGE M. RICE, 2d, Worcester, }  
 " ALBERT E. CARR, Roxbury, } Grand Pursuivants.  
 Bro. HOWARD M. DOW, North Weymouth, Grand Organist.  
 " JOHN H. CHESTER, Boston, Grand Tyler.

## COMMISSIONERS OF TRIALS:

- R.W. CHARLES A. WELCH, *President*.  
 R.W. S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE. W. ALBERT L. HARWOOD.  
 " CHARLES T. GALLAGHER. R.W. EUGENE C. UPTON.

## COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY:

- R.W. SERENO D. NICKERSON. R.W. BENJAMIN A. GOURLEY.  
 R.W. SOLON W. STEVENS.

## COMMITTEE ON CHARITY:

- R.W. CHARLES A. WELCH. R.W. SERENO D. NICKERSON.  
 Bro. JOHN H. CHESTER.

## COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS AND CHARTERS:

- R.W. FRANK T. DWINELL. R.W. HENRY G. FAY.  
 R.W. CHARLES S. ROBERTSON,

## COMMITTEE ON CURIOSITIES OF THE CRAFT:

- W. WARREN B. ELLIS. W. WALWORTH O. BARNES.  
 W. ROSEWELL B. LAWRENCE. W. LOUIS C. SOUTHARD.  
 W. NATHANIEL W. DUNBAR.

## OFFICERS INSTALLED BY THE GRAND MASTER

The following-named Brethren were installed  
 in their respective offices in AMPLE FORM:

R.W. S. LOTHROP THORNDIKE . .	Deputy Grand Master.	
" WM. L. RICHARDSON . . .	Cor. Grand Secretary.	
" E. BENTLEY YOUNG . . .	D.D.G. Master, Dist. No.	1.
" EUGENE C. UPTON . . .	" " " "	2.
" JOSEPH H. GLEASON . . .	" " " "	3.
" JAMES T. SHERMAN . . .	" " " "	4.
" QUINCY BICKNELL, JR. . .	" " " "	6.
" JOSIAH F. KIMBALL . . .	" " " "	7.
" CHAUNCEY S. RICHARDS . .	" " " "	8.
" ISAAC A. S. STEELE . . .	" " " "	9.
" CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD .	" " " "	10.
" FREDERICK W. FARNHAM .	" " " "	11.
" SIDNEY P. SMITH . . .	" " " "	12.
" FRANKLIN E. SNOW . . .	" " " "	13.
" ROBERT N. RICHMOND . .	" " " "	14.
" WILLIAM P. WOOD . . .	" " " "	15.
" EDWIN A. BLODGETT . . .	" " " "	16.
" WILLIAM S. CLARK . . .	" " " "	17.
" LOAMMI B. CARR . . .	" " " "	19.
" GEORGE A. STACY . . .	" " " "	21.
" ALBERT E. BRADLEY . . .	" " " "	22.
" ERNEST W. CALKINS . . .	" " " "	24.
" AMOS A. LAWRENCE . . .	" " " "	25.
" JAMES E. MCCREERY . . .	" " " "	26.
" EDWARD L. CHASE . . .	" " " "	28.

OFFICERS INSTALLED BY DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

By request of the Grand Master, the following-named Brethren were installed in their respective offices by R.W. Samuel Lothrop Thorndike, Deputy Grand Master:

W. REV. JOHN CUCKSON,	}	. . . Grand Chaplains.
" " EDWARD A. HORTON,		
" CHARLES E. PHIPPS . . . . .		Grand Marshal.
" FRANK W. KAAH, }	. . . . .	Grand Lecturers.
" CHAUNCEY E. PECK, }		

W.	HENRY S. ROWE . . . . .	Senior Grand De
"	ALBERT L. HARWOOD . . . . .	Senior Grand Ste
"	J. ALFRED MESSINGER, }	. . . Junior Grand Ste
"	CHARLES T. BURR, }	
"	WALTER F. LANSIL, }	
"	HENRY K. DUNTON . . . . .	Grand Sword-Ber
"	Z. L. BICKNELL . . . . .	Grand Standard-B
"	GEORGE M. RICE, 2d, }	. . . Grand Pursuivan
"	ALBERT E. CARR, }	
Bro.	HOWARD M. DOW . . . . .	Grand Organist.
"	JOHN H. CHESTER . . . . .	Grand Tyler.

The Grand Marshal made proclamation that the M.W. Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was organized for the ensuing year, and ready for the transaction of such business as might regularly come before it.

Bro. Nickerson presented the following:

#### REPORT OF RECORDING GRAND SECRETARY

IN GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS

BOSTON, Dec. 27, 18

The Recording Grand Secretary respectfully submits the following report:

The printed Proceedings of the various Grand Lodges of Europe and America, with which this Grand Lodge is in correspondence, have been duly received and deposited in our Library. We thus maintain the position which the Grand Lodge has held for more than twenty years, as possessing a Masonic Library, in this department, as in every other, equal, if not superior to, that of any other Grand Lodge.

world. We say *Masonic* Library, because no attempt has been made by us to collect books or curiosities other than those having some relation to Masonry. We are surrounded by so many excellent libraries and museums of a miscellaneous character, that it would be merely a waste of time and strength for us to attempt anything in that direction. Our chief aim has been to collect everything that might be of service to any one interested in the study of the history of Masonry, and in that direction we flatter ourselves we have been tolerably successful.

Diplomas have been issued from the office of the Recording Grand Secretary during the past year, as follows :

		Master Masons.				Past Masters.			
District	No. 1	.	.	.	.	140	.	.	3
"	No. 2	.	.	.	.	70	.	.	7
"	No. 3	.	.	.	.	95	.	.	9
"	No. 4	.	.	.	.	112	.	.	4
"	No. 5	.	.	.	.	83	.	.	3
"	No. 6	.	.	.	.	87	.	.	5
"	No. 7	.	.	.	.	137	.	.	5
"	No. 8	.	.	.	.	113	.	.	5
"	No. 9	.	.	.	.	66	.	.	3
"	No. 10	.	.	.	.	31	.	.	4
"	No. 11	.	.	.	.	62	.	.	3
"	No. 12	.	.	.	.	41	.	.	5
"	No. 13	.	.	.	.	110	.	.	5
"	No. 14	.	.	.	.	27	.	.	4
"	No. 15	.	.	.	.	56	.	.	4
"	No. 16	.	.	.	.	137	.	.	4
"	No. 17	.	.	.	.	38	.	.	2
"	No. 18	.	.	.	.	88	.	.	5
"	No. 19	.	.	.	.	42	.	.	4
"	No. 20	.	.	.	.	46	.	.	5
"	No. 21	.	.	.	.	46	.	.	5
"	No. 22	.	.	.	.	36	.	.	5
<i>Carried forward</i>		.	.	.	.	1,663	.	.	99

		Master Masons.	Past M
<i>Brought forward</i>	. . . . .	1,663	99
District No. 23	. . . . .	74	4
“ No. 24	. . . . .	48	4
“ No. 25	. . . . .	21	3
“ No. 26	. . . . .	80	4
“ No. 27	. . . . .	27	3
“ No. 28	. . . . .	23	2
China District	. . . . .	—	—
Chile “	. . . . .	—	—
Total	. . . . .	1,936	120

The following-named thirty-six Lodges do not appear to have been represented in Grand Lodge during the past year:

ACONCAGUA, Valparaiso.	MUMFORD RIVER, East Dou
AMITY, Danvers.	OCCIDENTAL, Stockbridge.
ARTISAN, Winchendon.	ORIENTAL, Edgartown.
BELCHER, Chicopee Falls.	OXFORD, Oxford.
BETHESDA, Valparaiso.	PACIFIC, Amherst.
CALEB BUTLER, Ayer.	PENTUCKET, Lowell.
CHARLES A. WELCH, Maynard.	PHENICIAN, Lawrence.
CHARLES RIVER, Medway.	PIONEER, Somerset.
CHICOPEE, Chicopee.	QUABOAG, Warren.
CININNATUS, Great Barrington.	QUINEBAUG, Southbridge.
DAY SPRING, Monson.	ST. ALBAN'S, Foxboro'.
EDEN, Ware.	SOLOMON'S TEMPLE, Uxbrid
FRANKLIN, Grafton.	SPENCER, Spencer.
GOLDEN FLEECE, Lynn.	THOMAS TALBOT, Billerica.
GRANITE, Northbridge.	TUSCAN, Lawrence.
HOWARD, South Yarmouth.	UPTON, Cheshire.
MOUNTAIN, Shelburne Falls.	WILLIAMS, Williamstown.
MOUNT ZION, Barre.	WISDOM, West Stockbridge.

The following-named fifteen Lodges do not appear to have been represented during the past two years:

ACONCAGUA, Valparaiso.	HOWARD, South Yarmouth.
BELCHER, Chicopee Falls.	ORIENTAL, Edgartown.
BETHESDA, Valparaiso.	OXFORD, Oxford.
CALEB BUTLER, Ayer.	PENTUCKET, Lowell.
CHICOPEE, Chicopee.	QUABOAG, Warren.
DAY SPRING, Monson.	TUSCAN, Lawrence.
EDEN, Ware.	UPTON, Cheshire.
WISDOM, West Stockbridge.	

The following-named six Lodges do not appear to have been represented during the past three years :

ACONCAGUA, Valparaiso.	DAY SPRING, Monson.
BELCHER, Chicopee Falls.	HOWARD, South Yarmouth.
BETHESDA, Valparaiso.	UPTON, Cheshire.

The following-named four Lodges do not appear to have been represented during the past four years :

ACONCAGUA, Valparaiso.	HOWARD, South Yarmouth.
BETHESDA, Valparaiso.	UPTON, Cheshire.

The following-named three Lodges do not appear to have been represented during the past five years :

ACONCAGUA, Valparaiso.	HOWARD, South Yarmouth.
	UPTON, Cheshire.

The only Lodge in the jurisdiction which has not been represented in Grand Lodge during the past six years is Aconcagua, of Valparaiso, which has not been represented for thirteen years.

Respectfully submitted,

SERENO D. NICKERSON,

*Recording Grand Secretary.*

At five minutes after six o'clock P.M., Brethren were called from labor to refreshment. A procession was formed by the Grand Master and conducted to the Banquet Hall, where the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist was celebrated in due and ancient form, after the manner of the Masons.

At fifteen minutes after ten o'clock P.M., Brethren were called from refreshment to labor again, and the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLIFIED FORM.

A true abstract from the Records.

Attest:

*Sireno D. Nickerson,*

*Recording Grand Secretary*



## THE GRAND FEAST.

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GRAND MASTER HOLMES. — Brethren, it is customary at this Feast of St. John the Evangelist to pause in the midst of our festivities and drink our customary toasts. I will, therefore, ask you to rise and drink with me our first regular toast, "To the memory of the holy Saints John." (This and the succeeding toasts, to wit: "To the memory of our illustrious Brother, George Washington," "To the memory of our departed Brothers who have passed on to the celestial Lodge above," and "The Health and Prosperity of the Craft wheresoever dispersed over the face of the globe," were duly honored.)

Brethren, the inclemency of the weather seems to have prevented a large number of the Fraternity, who usually come to these gatherings, from being here to-night. I hope, however, that we shall gain in enthusiasm and spirit that which we may lack in numbers.

In addressing you, I wish first to acknowledge

my obligation, and express my gratitude, the Grand Lodge for the distinguished honor conferred by selecting me for Grand Master. Conscious of the requirements necessary to satisfactorily discharge the duties of the office, I shall bring to it my best strength, with a sincere purpose and earnest endeavor to meet all demands. I aspire to attain that degree of success which has been reached by my predecessors, and assure you that my best faculties will be put forth for the interest of this Grand Body.

We all regret the retirement of Right Worshipful Brother Otis E. Weld from the office of Grand Master, and that he was not able to again assume the duties of this office. Our sincere hope is that he may be restored to perfect health, and come in and go out with us as in the past.

The year upon which we are entering will be one of unusual interest in Masonic circles. It is the beginning of a Masonic Centennial era, during which a great many Lodges will celebrate their completion of a hundred years. The Centennial Conclave of the Knights Templars will also occur, when thousands of Brethren will come to our Grand East from all parts of

country. Let it be our purpose to do our part in assisting all these to realize a perfect success.

I wish to forcibly impress upon the Grand Officers that they have been elected and appointed with the feeling that they will enter upon their duties with a firm determination to give the offices their best efforts, and they will be expected to attend on all occasions where the Grand Lodge is to be present. Due notice of such occasions will be sent them, and I hope they will sacrifice all other interests and cheerfully respond when they are called upon. Let the Lodges and their members make the acquaintance of the Grand Officers.

The suggestion made in the report of Grand Lecturer Worshipful Brother Frank W. Kaan, in regard to District Exemplifications, meets with my entire approval. I am strongly in favor of such meetings being held in every District in the State annually, or at least once in two years. In no other way can so much enthusiasm be aroused, or interest maintained, and perfection arrived at, as by the desire for perfect work, stimulated in these meetings; all of which will tend to eradicate the growing inclination to bring innovations into the rendering of our

ritual, either in the form of costumes, pictures or dramatic effect. I am firmly convinced that strict conformity to our original work is preferable, that the simple ritual effectively rendered makes the best possible impression upon the intelligent candidate.

The proposed establishment in every Lodge in our jurisdiction of a Charity Fund demands our earnest attention. It cannot be denied that a Fund of this kind would be of incalculable benefit to the Lodges in the future. If some feasible plan can be devised, which will meet with the unanimous consent of all the Lodges, it certainly ought to be undertaken.

There are other matters not to be lost sight of. The facilities in our present Masonic Temple are outgrown, and this building will not be able to accommodate the Fraternity many years more. It was built thirty years ago, by methods of construction and with materials not now allowed and a permit for extensive alterations could not be obtained. A new and larger building will soon be required. Lots of land of suitable size and in desirable locations are becoming scarce and we shall be neglecting our opportunity, it is not our duty, if some steps are not soon taken

looking to the procurement of a larger, more convenient and desirable Temple.

I do not wish to alarm the Brethren by the suggestion that another debt is about to be launched upon them, but rather to assure them that such must be avoided. At present there is not one dollar in the hands of the Grand Lodge, or in the treasury, that can be used for any other purpose than that of charity and the regular business transactions of the Grand Lodge. Ought not, Brethren, a portion of our surplus receipts each year to be set aside to establish a building fund?

This is the centennial year of the first election of Paul Revere as Grand Master. It seems to me a singular coincidence that a member of a Lodge named for so eminent a Mason and patriot should be chosen to occupy the same position in this centennial year. May his earnest spirit descend upon and abide with me. Let us all enter the opening Masonic year with the spirit of his patriotism, loyalty, and earnestness, and may our work for Masonry and America be no less successful than his.

In conclusion, Masonry fills a grand place in society. Man desires fellowship, companionship.

It is this principle which leads the uninitiated to knock at our gates. True, some may knock from curiosity, from business interests, or other unworthy motives, but most seek good-fellowship and the satisfaction it produces. By the teachings of our symbols our minds are enlightened and our hearts chastened. Fellowship binds us and differences do not divide us. Masonry exists year after year, age after age, preserving pleasant relations, lengthening and strengthening its fraternal bonds. Contentions are born of intolerance. A dogmatic creed breeds contention because it is intolerant, but we glory that our Order stands upon broad and strong foundations, the permanent, universal, and tolerant principles of Faith, Hope, Charity.

Brethren, I now give you the toast, The day we celebrate, St. John's day; and I will call upon Right Worshipful Brother Chas. H. Norris to respond :

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER NORRIS.

**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETHREN:** One of the first duties of a loyal Mason is to answer all due summonses and regular summonses. I appear before you to-night of my own free will and accord, but by special command and I beg of you, therefore, to look upon what I shall say.

duce as made to order, — machine made. This is an important matter, and if there shall be any merit in what I may produce, it will be in the fact that it is not very long.

#### THE FEAST OF ST. JOHN.

Down through the ages, from the East  
Came St. John's Day and St John's Feast,  
Through priest, philosopher, and sage,  
From Nature's living, moving page.  
In India, Egypt, Greece, and Rome  
It had its origin and home.  
Hence, as a consequent result  
Came speculation, myth and cult.  
Where zodiacal stars were known  
Its deep significance was shown;  
Where priestly ignorance increased  
They termed it Saturnalian Feast;  
When license, rude and unrestrained,  
A temporary tenure gained;  
But knowledge, wisdom, culture, sense,  
Saw infinite omnipotence.  
Our ancient Brethren of these days,  
The sacred temples build and raise;  
God of the Sun, God of the Year,  
Had station, shrine, and temple here.  
Janus stood with his two faces  
God of all celestial spaces;  
Summer and winter solstice He  
Unlocked with his eternal key.  
The ages still go rolling on;  
Instead of Janus two Sts. John  
By space divided hence are seen,  
Earth's mighty orbit spread between.  
One stationed North, to mark and see



The Sun in supreme majesty;  
One South, where its declining ray  
Threatens to fade and pass away.  
Controlled by that unerring hand  
The mighty Sun there seems to stand;  
Returns to melt Earth's icy chain  
That Nature may be born again.  
Thus Sun and Mother Earth are still  
Obedient to omniscient will;  
Their mighty movements as combined  
Support, sustain, and bless mankind.  
It has devolved on Masons Free  
To keep this ancient jubilee  
With joy and gratitude intense  
Toward Supreme Intelligence,  
By whose omnipotence and might  
Each day evolves from out the night;  
By whose command Earth's course is run,  
And blessings showered from the Sun,  
Till Earth emerging from the tomb  
Will live again, to bud and bloom.  
When on the twenty-fourth of June  
The glorious Sun shall touch high noon  
Then mystic banners are unfurled  
By all the Craft throughout the world,  
To celebrate in joyous way  
The glory of our natal day.  
Meanwhile the Craft pursues its course  
As a symbolic moral force;  
Its spirit broad and pure and bright  
And liberal as the noonday light,  
Its operative work well done,  
Its philosophic well begun;  
As perfect in each point and part  
As temples of colossal art.



Exalted landmarks of the past  
Defying time unto the last,  
Standing as sentinels to see  
What modern Masonry might be.  
Now, modern Masonry as taught  
Is pure, constructive, righteous thought,  
Its moral virtues all designed  
As deep foundations for the mind;  
The fatherhood of God its plan,  
And hence, the brotherhood of man.  
Enlightened reason here is taught  
To conquer atheistic thought.  
And lasting friendships here obtain  
To comfort sorrow, grief, and pain.  
Its massive walls, in strong cement,  
Make impotent all foul intent  
Of bigotry, intolerance, hate,  
To batter down its iron gate.  
Its mission is to plant the seed  
Of brotherhood in every creed.  
Down through the ages, from the East  
Came St. John's Day and St. John's Feast.  
Let us, as Craftsmen did of yore,  
Its deep significance restore.  
For Mother Earth has now begun  
To woo the everlasting Sun.  
She'll wed, conceive, and thus is born  
The Craftsman's oil and wine and corn,  
Showing the wisdom, goodness, grace,  
And power of Him who rules in space.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, it is a satisfaction to elect to office earnest, devoted workers. In your selection of Brother Walker as Senior

Grand Warden you have secured an officer whose devotion to Masonry is well known. I shall take great pleasure in having his valuable assistance for the ensuing year. I will now ask Brother Walker to show his devotion by addressing you.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER WALKER.

**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETHREN:** I am not gifted as an after-dinner speaker, and hardly thought that the Most Worshipful Grand Master would call upon me at this time. I do not think, Brethren, that I can interest you in the least. I wish to take this opportunity, however, to thank the Brethren of this Grand Body for the great honor they have conferred upon Rising Star Lodge by selecting one of its members as a member of this Grand Body.

In the year 1833 this Grand Lodge called upon Rising Star Lodge for a Grand Master. In that year Elijah Crane was elected Grand Master of this Grand Body. Since that time the Lodge has not had a Permanent Member of the Grand Lodge. But I assure you, Brethren, that it appreciates very much, and I appreciate fully as much as the Lodge, the honor which you have conferred upon it.

I wish also, Most Worshipful Sir, to assure you that during your term of office you will have the hearty coöperation and support of all the services that I can render to you. I thank you, Brethren, for your kindness in calling me up.

**THE GRAND MASTER.** — Brethren, Our Fraternity is not wanting in Rev. Brethren who

see good in our Order, and who stand ready to do their part to advance and maintain the principles taught in our ceremonies and symbolic ritual. This Grand Lodge is under great obligation to Rev. and Wor. Bro. Cuckson for the services he has rendered. I consider it a great honor to again be able to secure his services as Chaplain of this Grand Body. He honors us, not we him, by accepting this office. I take great pleasure in calling upon him to address you.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER CUCKSON.

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETHREN: I thank you for the honor you have again conferred upon me by again selecting me as one of the Grand Chaplains of this Grand Lodge. I regret that my co-Chaplain, Brother Horton, is not permitted to be here this evening. He is a man of many engagements and of much work, and found it inconvenient to be here to-night, and so desired me to apologize for his absence. For myself, there are few privileges which I enjoy more deeply or more sincerely than my affiliation with Masonry. Our Brotherhood is too large for any sect or for any creed; and, at the risk of differing somewhat from so eminent an authority on theological and Masonic symbolism as the newly-appointed Deputy Grand Master, I venture to say that the triangle was a triangle long before the Trinity was thought of; and, if I had the faintest notion that the triangle I wore this afternoon was the symbol of

the Trinity, with all due respect, I should have had back again to the Deputy Grand Master.

We are here as a united Brotherhood. We stand upon our merits as men and not upon any connection, or such connection, with this church, that, or the other. I trust our sympathies are broad enough to include all the churches and to maintain loyal and brotherly fellowship with the ministers of all denominations.

For my own part, I enjoy the fellowship, I think more deeply and more widely as I grow older, of the men who come from me. It is the easiest thing in the world to be on terms of terms with men who agree with you in every particular. There is very little merit in that. But to be able to be patient and respectfully to men who think differently from you, to pay respect to their differences, and to hold the right of private judgment in due and becoming reverence is a virtue which is none too common. I wish it were more common than it is at the present day.

A feeling of brotherhood is the one sole bond of fellowship which binds together Masons in all parts of the civilized world; and, for my own part, I never could understand the attitude of any Christian church in its position to Masonry; for it seems to me that Masonry, rightly understood, comprehends and embraces that which is common to all the churches, and that which is peculiar to Christianity; and I think that the feeling which prompts the Catholic Church to be hostile to our Brotherhood is rather be a feeling of envy, a feeling that we are powerful a little too strong and a little too close in our fellowship that we are a formidable body as compared with the

Catholic Church, and that our Brotherhood is as large and as powerful, when it cares to exert itself, as any existing affiliation in the world; and it is not of much use for the Church to try to deal with us in any spirit of hostility. It may put us under its ban; it may curse us, if it chooses; but that kind of business is innocent enough in these days, fortunately. It may do what it chooses; but we have been here a little too long, we are too ancient, too deeply rooted, too firmly fixed in human life, to be greatly disturbed by the anathemas of any priest, or of any church. And so the bitterness, the ill-feeling, which sometimes comes to the surface in the church, reminds me very much of the anger—the fruitless anger—displayed once by a Somersetshire farmer. He tried desperately hard, but to no purpose, to tear up an oak sapling by the roots. He pulled at it, and puffed and blowed for a long time, but could not move it. At last, in futile petty anger, he said, “Down the pigs that didn’t yut thee when thou wert an acorn!”

Now, it seems to me that the hostility towards Masonry, in its futility, partakes very much of the anger of the Somersetshire farmer. We are not to be moved by hard words; we are not to be disturbed by misunderstandings and misrepresentations. Our work is clear, and definite, and distinct enough, and we shall probably go on without consulting the churches, and without consulting anybody outside of our own Order. It is our work, individually and collectively, to maintain in our several capacities the great practical virtues of Freemasonry; and as I read my morning papers it seems to me that there never was a time when Masonry should stand more firmly for conduct and character

than at the present day. If we do not stand for the essential principles of Truth and Justice and Merely Kindness be not the essential features of our faith then I know not for what we can stand before the world in all our great cities of America there is abundant need of a patriotic citizen, trained in the school of Freemasonry.

There is abundant reason for men who are both able and willing to serve the State, and to serve the State willingly of their strength and their time, and of their means, to the maintenance of pure government, with a view to securing it in our cities, and in our States, a government that governs, it seems to me, is what we most of all need in these times. When I think of the various institutions which are brought into existence to enforce the laws of this country, those institutions seem to me to be a permanent reflection either upon the incapacity or the lack of character of the government itself. We have our watch and ward societies, our municipal corporations and what not, these societies are simply trying to step into the work which should be done by the government itself, so I think we are all called upon, no matter what political party we bear, for I care nothing for political faction, our foremost duty is to serve the State as honorable citizens, to give our voice and our vote in putting men of representative character and ability and capacity into all the offices of government.

By doing this, we serve the highest interests of our country, the highest interests of trade, the broadest and best interests of commerce, the best interests of education and of religion, the character and quality of a nation can never rise higher than the average character and quality of its citizens.

State is depends upon what we are; what the country is depends not upon its enormous territory, or its boundless resources of wealth, or its ingenuity and skill, — the character of a nation depends upon the character of its citizens. And so it is our duty, as Masons, to stand as one solid body for all that is pure and clean and patriotic in town and State and national government.

I am not speaking now from the standpoint of a preacher, who is supposed to deal with ideals, many of them more or less impracticable; I am speaking now from the standpoint of a citizen; from the standpoint of a man who is interested in the country in which he lives. I cannot, of course — I would not if I could — forget my old allegiance to the land in which I was born, and the land I deeply love; but I have lived long enough in America, my attachments to America are so strong and deep and close, that I would fain love my country here as I have sought to love and serve my country on the other side of the Atlantic.

Then we are more or less subject to outside criticism; and that, it seems to me, should make us still more careful of the position in which we stand to the outside world. There are those who eye us with suspicion, because they do not and cannot understand us. There are those who retain old prejudices against us without knowing exactly why they retain them; and therefore it is all the more incumbent upon us to make our Brotherhood synonymous with all that is best and truest in our national life to-day.

Then I confess I heard, with a good deal of satisfaction, the statement of the Grand Master that some effort was to be made to associate practical charity with Freemasonry. Our good



fellowship is, of course, very satisfactory and very pleasant. We all enjoy it. It is delightful to meet here, or to meet a month in our various Lodges. But I sometimes think in connection with Freemasonry, there should be something more permanent, something more durable, something more lasting than that: and I trust that the large fund which has already been subscribed for charitable purposes will eventually lead to the establishment of some institution in which orphan children, the orphan children of Masons, or aged and infirm Masons, may receive some lasting and permanent benefit in their hands.

It always seemed to me that one of the chief attractions of Freemasonry in England was the magnificent way in which Masonic charities were supported there. I have sat at a table on St. John's Day in Bradford, and have seen \$5,000 taken from the dinner table for the maintenance of Masonic charities in the way of Masonic gifts. No one was pledged to give a specific sum, but we all gave, according to our means, for the maintenance of the Orphan School for Boys, and for the maintenance of the Home for Infirm Masons.

Then there was one other feature in connection with Masonry which touched me more tenderly and deeply than almost anything else. I well remember the toast at all our dinners in England, "To aged and sick and infirm Masons all over the world: may God give them a speedy deliverance from all their troubles." That was one of the standard sentiments in our meetings, and that is one thing that I like in our meetings. All our differences, social, political, or religious, are all dropped when we enter the Masonic Temple, and our hearts are broadened and our sympathies deepened as we think of those who are poor and sick and infirm, and who need our sympathy.



That side of our life, it seems to me, may be materially developed without interfering with our good-fellowship, or with the pleasure of these gatherings.

However, I must not drop into preaching. I came here to-night in defiance of authorities which I am bound to respect, and came from a sickness from which I am just recovering. When I came from home I said that I did not feel well enough, really, to go to the Feast of St. John, but Mr. Horton said that he could not go, and that I must go, and so, like a good Mason, I came and accepted your hospitality, and I heartily and sincerely thank the Grand Master for the honor which he has conferred on me in making me his Grand Chaplain this year, an office which I value, and the duties of which I will do all in my power to discharge faithfully and sincerely.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, it takes something particularly interesting to induce Right Worshipful Brother Charles Levi Woodbury to leave his cosey seat at the Parker House, but the Feast of St. John usually accomplishes that feat. We are glad it does, for Brother Woodbury always has something interesting to say to us, and we should count the evening's pleasure sadly dimmed without him. I am glad to call upon him this evening.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER WOODBURY.

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: This is a fraud. I have been waiting to hear Brother Welch and Brother Wells,

and pick up ideas from them, and, having the last word scratch their backs with my toe nail as hard as I could. Instead of that, you have called me up at this inopportune time, so that now I have got to catch it instead of them. Under the circumstances, I feel very much as a little girl Boston did some years ago, when Boston was "gooder" than it is now. She said her prayers in the evening, as usual, and at the conclusion, said, "Good-by, God. I am going to New York to-morrow." But you have caught me, sir, when I am exposed to my enemies, with nobody to shield me or protect me.

I have listened with feelings of pleasure to the remarks of your excellent and worthy Grand Chaplain, and I thank him that he has given you some very good advice, and has encouraged you in the way that you should go. I think that Masons ought always to remember that the great fact which gives life, not existence, but gives life and vitality to Masonry, and causes it to spread all over the world, is involved in two propositions: one, that Masons are to be true to the country in which they live; the other, that they are to establish institutions where Brethren of all sects and creeds, not atheists, may meet together upon a common footing, and become acquainted and esteem each other's virtues more and more; and there is no kicking at the creed; there is no kicking at any body of men; there is no intolerance or bigotry to stir the Masonic Body in the least particle from the great fundamental principle of its organization, or cause it to withhold the right hand of fellowship from those who are willing to come together and meet upon the level and part upon the square. In all these trou-

and in all these trials that we have to go through, Masons should always remember that, because that is their bond of strength, that is their power, which will exist as long as humanity shall exist.

Now, to go back, and start anew: when that great principle was announced — and I need not go historically back of that — Masonry spread at once in Germany, in France, in Holland, in Great Britain, in Ireland, in Scotland, and in the United States, and then in the colonies, and all the world took it up. You can find Masons in India, you can find them in China, you can find them in Japan, you can find them in Persia, you can find them in Arabia, you can find them among the Indians out on the plains, you can find them among the Indians in South America; all recognizing the Masonic sign, and all ready to extend the right hand of fellowship and brotherhood to those whom they meet as their fellows.

With that bond of Masonry our merchants and our ship-masters and our sailors have in times past traversed the whole world and brought back the rich treasures of every country, and found themselves in every city, wherever they might be, in the presence of friends who would take care that they were not cheated, but who would see that they got fair play. It is a great thing to belong to an Institution that is so widespread and so universal, and yet does not derogate one iota or hair's breadth from the fidelity which you owe to your country and to the institutions of your country. Your loyalty is unimpaired by it.

Why, in the days of the Revolution, you talk of those great men, Washington, and Lafayette, and General Knox,

and Stark, and Putnam, and Hancock, and all the names that filled this country with their energy and force in Revolutionary times, the bonds of Masonry held them together, and they trusted each other, and, because they trusted each other, they dared to go forward, and because of them, America became free.

No, it was not we, it was not our grandfathers and great-grandfathers in themselves, but, above all, there was the Unseen Hand, the Divine Force, the Great Will, by which all the earth trembles, and all the earth moves, and all the earth has its being, that carried those men forward on the path which led to the freedom of this country; and it was with you a guiding star, a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night, guiding the whole people of the world up to a better future, to a higher civilization, to a more perfect equality, to a greater prosperity, to a more thorough happiness,—to everything which can make the nearest approximation which can be made to a Garden of Paradise or of Eden.

Now, I am passing away. Men who are gray among you are also passing away. On you this mantle of Elijah is to fall, and you are to go on and do the work. Do not forget it! It is a moral precept on your minds; it is a moral duty on your consciences; it is a great thing that you are still, as you have been for one hundred and fifty years before, the forlorn hope, leading the battles of civilization in behalf of a common humanity.

Why, if you read Robison's "Proofs of a Conspiracy" written one hundred years ago and upwards, you will find that he said that Masonry waged war against altars

against thrones, against government and for anarchy. One hundred years have passed by. Altars are respected now as much as they were then; they are deeper seated now than they were then, because now they are founded in the hearts of the human race; then they were founded upon the bareness of the laws of the State to which they were allied. Liberty has expanded. Government has not suffered. Property has not suffered. Religion has not suffered. But everything, like the genial hand of spring coming upon the snow-clad earth, has grown green and blossomed, and bids fair to bring forth fruit; and you are to go on with the work which has been begun.

I will say one thing more, but I do not want to detain you long. This Grand Lodge has gone through, as you know, many trials, and many troubles, and many afflictions; but its heart has always been true to the principles of the Order, and it has come out triumphant again, rising over every obstacle, climbing every height, dispelling every storm, until it is now in the condition that has been spoken of by the reverend gentleman who preceded me.

You have a great Charity Fund; you have a need of charity funds in your Lodges, by your voluntary contributions, which no Mason among you will neglect, no Mason among you will refuse to recognize, but every man must meet according to his means and according to the necessity. I hope to see the time when we shall have organized those institutions of charity on a broader and a firmer and a more enduring footing than they now are. But I say that, so far as the past is concerned, the Grand Lodge of

Massachusetts stood up to its duty every day and every hour, and has brought things into a condition where the hope for the future is founded upon the good performance in the past.

Most Worshipful, I came here to welcome you to your new position, and to assure you, on behalf of the elder members of the Fraternity, of that happiness and of the respect which attend the high position to which you have attained, and to assure you, sir, that so far as we who are passing away from the sphere of active action are concerned, we will do all that we can to hold up your hands while you continue to fight for the cause; and in you, sir, we hope; and I pledge you, in behalf of all the Masons here assembled, regardless of the Lodges or "previous condition of servitude" — your health.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, a week ago last Sunday I attended church, as I usually do. Do not look up in such astonishment. It is a fact that I do go to church. And on this particular Sunday I received a great treat. A stranger occupied the pulpit and preached such an eloquent sermon that I could not resist making inquiries regard to him. I found that he was a Brother Mason, and invited him here tonight, that you might have the pleasure of listening to him. Brethren, I wish to introduce to you Rev. Brother Adolph A. Berle, of Brighton.

## RESPONSE OF REV. BROTHER BERLE.

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETHREN: It ill becomes a stripling of my years and experience, both of life and Masonry, to address with any show of knowledge, or any show of authority, the Worshipful and dignified Brethren before me, for I appreciate and acknowledge their much greater wisdom in Masonry than I possess, as well as the larger and broader experience in life which you, or most of you, have had, as compared with that which has fallen to my share. But I have been greatly stimulated and delighted by what has fallen from the lips of some of the Brethren here tonight, especially by what has been said by my Reverend Brother who is at my side, with reference to the depth and the character, and the inclusive character, of tolerance. And yet I wish to make a draft on that large and genial tolerance which he described, in venturing still to affirm the opinion that the Trinity is older than the triangle, after all. I venture to assert that in the counsel of the Supreme Architect of the Universe, the science of geometry was not evolved until long after the existence of the Trinity. It took considerable science to evolve this triangle from the Trinity. The triangle was not known till long after the Trinity. It is easy to believe that the triangle was evolved from the Trinity, and not that the Trinity was evolved from the triangle, since the Trinity is greater than the triangle, and the greater cannot be evolved from the lesser. Therefore, I regard the Trinity as greater than the triangle.

Now, you see what an interesting opportunity I am giving you for the exercise of that broad, genial tolerance for differing opinion; and, also, sir, I congratulate you that, even though



possibly in error, you have stumbled upon the truth. I have been greatly struck, since I have become a Mason, with the interesting character of the fellowships which I have enjoyed. Some of these have been as much revelations to me as was the revelation, or pseudo revelation, at a certain event over in South Boston the other day, where a man died, and his children, desiring to do him the honors that belonged to a deceased parent, had a large floral piece made, upon which was the inscription "Papa." In the arrangement of that floral piece, so I was told, the first letter in the combination fell out, and when his friends, who had worshipped with him, and worked with him in lifelong toil on the streets of Boston, came to view the remains; they were struck with the cabalistic symbol upon the casket, and immediately went out and held a conversation, at which one of them said, "Begorra, I have knowed Denny for forty years, but if I had a knowed he was a member of the A.P.A., I wouldn't have attended his funeral."

- Well, now, I have had revelations just like that since I have come into the Masonic Fraternity. I have been struck with the marvellously fluid character of the Institution, in the inclusive breadth and greatness with which the exemplification of the virtues for which this Institution stands has touched men of high degree and men of low degree, men of cultivation and of education, men in the lesser walks of life, but who have been inspired by the divine fire to seek the larger and the broader life that makes for purity and power and truth.

And now, Brethren, I only wish to say one word, and I wish this evening to speak as a preacher. I have never been able, as a minister of the Gospel, to disassociate myself from my calling. I was a man before I was a minister. All the man



that there was in me became a minister; and I wish simply to say that when I knocked at the door of this Institution, and when I heard the words, "erected to God and dedicated to the Holy Saints John," those words meant to me that no unclean thing should ever pass my lips, no wrong thought, any more than before — but less than before — should ever flash through my brain; but that, as a man and a Mason, I would endeavor to be as true, and as pure, and as honorable, and as straightforward, and as clean, as the woman whom I loved enough to make the companion of my life and the mother of my children.

It is for this reason that I speak as I do. In such an Institution there will be men oftentimes — it would be strange if there were not — among us, in the world-wide fellowship that we have, who need the restraints that come from the memories of their obligation. We have the compass, and we have the square, but they both rest in every well-regulated Lodge upon the Holy Book, and every man among us has touched his lips to the sacred page, and ought to remember that therein lies all the power and all the truthfulness and all the greatness of the Masonic Fraternal life.

And so, Brethren, I come to you as much a minister as a man, for in my life and in my work and in my service I am now unable, after these all too brief years in the service, to separate the two. Masonry stands for the love and service of Almighty God, if it stands for anything. It stands for pure manhood; it stands for virtuous service; it stands for a larger and broader patriotism; it stands for loyalty, — for purity in youth, for honor in manhood, and for every grace that makes life tolerable and sweet.

And so I bring you the message this evening, Brethren,

of that Saint whose Feast we celebrate to-night, "Whoever, therefore, hath this hope in him purifieth himself even as he is pure." And in that Fraternal life, Brethren, let us leaven the world. Let our manhood stand bright and clear and clean against the dark portions, against a world that awaits the enlightenment that we enjoy; and, in the words and in the message of the elder Brother who has just spoken, let us remember that the Unseen Hand guides, and that in the fellowship of immortality, God willing, we shall meet upon the level, and part upon the square.

THE GRAND MASTER. — While a humble member of the Grand Lodge, I have sat through many of these Feasts and listened with delight to the eloquent and stirring words which have flowed from the lips of our honored and beloved Brother from Lowell, and I could not resist asking him to be here to-night and arouse us again with his enthusiasm. Brethren, join with me in welcoming Right Worshipful Solon W. Stevens of Lowell.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER STEVENS.

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: It sometimes happens that when a man is called upon to speak on an occasion of this kind he tries to say to the presiding officer that he is much obliged for the compliment paid him in calling upon him to speak. Sometimes that is true, and sometimes it

not altogether true. But I rise in response to your invitation to-night, sir, to say in truth, that for one single purpose I am obliged to you for the compliment thus paid me, and the expression of that gratitude shall be formed in these words, if I can so divest myself of a certain personality as to allow me to express my thought on a certain matter.

When, at our last Communication, the subject of the election of a Grand Master came before this Body, if at that time, sir, a lasting friendship for one particular Brother present this evening prompted me, by its strength and its fervor, dating back from the days of boyhood to these, the days of middle manhood — if that feeling prompted me for once to vote in a direction not in your line, Most Worshipful Sir, I am here to-night to express with gratitude the thought that now, throughout this jurisdiction, there shall be found no hand readier to lend its strength to your support, no heart readier to give its allegiance to your cause than the heart which I carry in my breast; and I also want to say that, in your experience throughout this jurisdiction, you will find no body of Masons more loyal to the Grand Lodge, no body of Masons more inspired with zeal to support you in this interesting coming year than the Masons who live in the city where I reside.

That is the one thought that I am happy to express here to-night, and, having said that, I should like to sit down. But there have been many interesting thoughts expressed here to-night, and I want to express my sympathy along the line of thought which has been suggested. We meet here to-night, men of various Lodges, men of various political parties, men of various religious creeds, but all differences

of opinion along those lines of thought were left outside the door, when we came within the precincts of the Lodge this afternoon; and we have met here to-night to celebrate the Feast of him who proclaimed in the wilderness and who called for a witness, to be a witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe.

I appreciated the thought of the Deputy Grand Master, when he said that it was a happy coincidence that our Feast occurred at the time when the bells were ringing, and the chimes were heard on the anniversary of the birth of the Babe in the Judea. Whence came the Light which John the Evangelist promised? Was it some artificial light which John told us to worship, or was it not rather the Light which gleamed from the halo that surrounded the Babe in the Judean manger? What was the Light, and what was the Life, which was promised, and of which we were told that through it all men might believe? We find it written in the law which we have before our altar. What is the law? Peace on earth, and good will to men, we are told there. And why? Because this is the law, and the summary of the prophets of old, "that whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye so unto them." And this is the foundation on which Masonry stands, and has stood, as our venerable Brother has so eloquently told you, Faith, Hope, and Charity, the greatest of these is Charity.

Whence comes it, then, but from the divine message which spoke to us in early days from the stars? But in these latter days you go to a certain school of men and they will tell you that this is all a myth; and you go to others and they will meet you with a sneer; and you go to

others, and they will tell you that it is but a certain belief which is thrilled with emotion. But in the evolutionary process which they try to explain, they fail to account for the development which has since moved the world; because I undertake to say in this presence that science does not yet explain the evolution of man, when you take him first from those prehistoric times when he was simply a brute, up to the day when he stands now as the Christian gentleman; and Mr. Benjamin Kidd has told us a solemn truth in his recent book on Social Evolution, when he said that when you ask of science to explain why it is that mankind are moved by and impressed with a certain force which he calls extra-rational, which is only a supernatural influence, when you ask Darwin and Huxley and Spencer to explain this, they are simply dumb and silent; but they are yet to recognize, if their creed and their philosophy be true, they are yet to recognize that mankind, in his evolution onward, since he became a social creature, is influenced by the supernatural. It cannot be denied.

Why, this, Most Worshipful Sir, is an important thought for us to-night, because we stand here as Brethren, and the time has come when man does not live for himself alone; he stands dependent upon his neighbor; and that, as you know, is the highest type of a man who lives to serve others, and benefit the community in which he lives. It is an important thought for us, as we stand here to-night and look to the future. Why, I am speaking in the presence of a Brother who, I am told, is upwards of 90 years of age; and may the time be long when we may have his genial face with us here at these celebrations. Think of

the changes that that honored Brother has seen in his day. Why, he has seen this country grow from a population of about three to five millions up to sixty millions — seventy millions, somebody says. I thought I would be safe. But think of the enormous change which has been witnessed under his eyes. And, speaking of citizenship, why, in my city, we have all types of men, and I take it that my city is but an index of other cities which are even larger — we have with us the Jew and the Greek and the Gentile and the Armenian and the Turk and the Chinaman and the Frenchman, and God only knows what, sprinkled in with a certain minority which claims something like a kinship to the old Puritan element, even while they try to sneer at the Puritanical severity of former times. Now, this is but a type of what is going on in larger cities.

Why, if the statistics are true, and prove anything, the rapid increase of population which has been witnessed under the eyes of our venerable Brother — if it is true at all, the babe who is born to-day, if he lives to be 60 years of age, will see two hundred millions of people living here as inhabitants of our country. Does it not mean something for our future Brethren that between this time and that, we should live, along the lines of thought which Masonry seeks to establish, building, as it has, its structure, erected, as it is, dedicated to God and the Holy Saints who proclaimed the Feast for to-day?

I was struck, in reading a speech made not long ago by the Reverend Mr. McKenzie, of Cambridge, who made the remark, speaking on the anniversary of Forefathers' Day, that the motto now with us is not exactly "E Pluribus

Unum," one among many, but rather that we are many which must be made into one. Perhaps it may be that in some localities there is some truth in the perversion of the motto, and that we ought to read it "E Pluribus Erin Go Bragh." But, however, it may be in the times onward, we have got to reckon along the lines which have been inspired by the thought that has been so eloquently expressed here to-night, and that is, belief in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. Why, not long ago, I saw and listened with a great deal of interest to the most polished orator of the day, while he mercilessly criticised the Bible which rests upon our altar as Masons. I confess I laughed at his jokes, but I said to myself, "If that eloquent man, gifted with his powers of oratory, has nothing to offer me but his witty jokes, then, whether I can prove it or not, let me live as long as God gives me breath in the faith which my mother taught me at her knee." Yes, if the eloquent man has nothing more to say or do than to try to pull down existing systems of faith, and erect nothing in their stead, then, even if it is a delusion, let me live in the faith which gave a clear and golden light to the sightless eyes of my father, as he breathed his life away. Oh, yes, Brethren; men do love to think of these things in the serious vein.

I had occasion not long ago to speak before a Masonic Body, and the question arose whether it was the social element, or whether it was a love for the serious lessons taught, that took men to the Masonic Lodges; and I ventured the remark, and I repeat it now, because I believe it is true, that were it not for the serious symbolic teachings of our

ritual, Masonic Lodges would not last a twelvemonth. And so it is that, along the line of social evolution of man, he must become and recognize himself as subject to those influences which are represented by these institutions, and I am not speaking as a clergyman; I am simply speaking as a man of the world. And I want to say that I believe what Mr. Benjamin Kidd has lately expressed, when he quotes Mr. Leckey, the historian, who says that if you are asked the future of a country, you must inquire with reference to the purity of its domestic life; you must inquire with reference to the personal character of its men; you must inquire in reference to its commercial integrity; you must inquire, in fact, in reference to all its qualities which appertain to conduct and character; and it is along this line that Masonry tends to make men the best everywhere and in every place where it is found; and our Brother here has told you that it is found in all spots of the earth, and in all climates of the world; and it is in doing this, living along the line of truth, and opening the hand of Charity—yes, the hand of Charity, and the Charity of heart, as well as of purse, that makes a man a manly man; and this it is, which in spite of scientific dogma has lifted man above the brute; and that is why the scientists are all dumb; and if you listen for the message of peace on earth and good will to men, and then ask why it is, the answer again comes from the skies, saying, “Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto Me?”

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, for many years I have delighted in the acquaintance of a



Reverend Brother whose interest in Masonry has led him to devote a great deal of his time to the welfare of the Craft. It has been a great satisfaction to me to consider him my friend, and it gives me great pleasure to invite him here to-night and ask him to address you. I take pleasure in introducing to you the Reverend Brother R. Perry Bush, of Chelsea.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER BUSH.

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS: It is somewhat embarrassing to be invited to address this Body of Masons. It is the more embarrassing after the eloquent speeches of the evening. But I count it an honor, nevertheless, and one that I shall not soon forget.

Since first I stepped within the sacred circle of Freemasonry, my enthusiasm has grown. My admiration for its principles has deepened. My sense of the work that it has accomplished in God's world, for God's purpose, has increased. I have been led, as your Grand Master has intimated, to delve a little along the lines of its history. I wonder if it would be interesting to you if I should venture a little upon that path.

On the western bank of the river Nile, a little above the city of Cairo, and near that of ancient Memphis, cut from the spur of the eternal rock, half hidden in the sands, but defying the hand of Time, and all the powers to

strike it down, stands the Sphinx of Gizeh. Many of the rites that were associated with its building have disappeared. Time has changed. All its surroundings have changed. No man can read the story of its beginning, except the initiated. They alone can interpret. But there it stands, looking out forever upon the sands, the same as it was when the hot sun shone down upon the heads directed by the genius of the Pharaoh who sculptured it. So it is with Freemasonry, cut from the spur of the rock of Humanity's greatest need. Time has robbed it somewhat of its rites, but to-day it is the same as of old in its genius and in its spirit. I will try to interpret that genius and that spirit, for it is that of religion.

Always man has worshipped; instinctively the knee is bent and the face is turned towards the blue arch. The heart naturally bows in prayer. But we cannot worship in abstractions; we must have form, and symbols; and men have sought out these from the rudest carving of the idol-maker to the grandeur and magnificence of the modern Lodge-room, and of cathedrals. So it was that, as we traced the architecture, we traced also the history of building; and out of that history we find what brought forth Masonry, as also, what brought forth the church.

Early in my career as a Mason, I think, I doubted somewhat the antiquity of the Institution. There are some inconsistencies in our ritual; but, as I have looked into the archives, as I have had a little of access to the lore of our Craft, I am more than convinced that we are the lineal descendants of the dusty sons of old Egypt of long, long before the Christian era.

I am sure that fifteen hundred years before Christ there was a company that went forth from Alexandria to erect what since has become, or what afterwards became, the great city of Athens of the Greeks; and another company led by Moses, later on, found its way to Canaan to crown Mt. Moriah with the beauty and grandeur of King Solomon's Temple. I am sure that in the last part of the eighth century before the Christian era the Roman corporation of builders was established under Numa Pompilius, and, so far as I have been able to make out in my feeble way, we get from them the terms of our ritual of to-day; and I dare to say that no man can read it and not be certain that we bear the stamp of those who organized the Roman corporation of builders, who incorporated, besides the working in stone and wood, the culture of the rough elements of man for the upbuilding of character; for, ever so near as man is to God, so near is God to man, and our occupation blends with our inspiration as we reach up continually to something higher.

I would like to follow the intervening links, but we will skip a few, and come down to about the eighth century of the Christian era, when those societies were organized, the Steinmetzen, of Germany, the Stone Masons of Britain. I have translated from the German all the literature from that source that is within your most excellent library. It is almost identical in parts with our ritual to-day. That is back to the eighth century of the Christian era. Then we come towards the middle ages, that darkest time of the world, and we plunge into the deepest darkness, and Masonry seems to be losing ground. But within the sacred Lodges of the Masonic circle were preserved not only the record that we

have to-day of the Holy Word itself, but all that was best in the principles that make for manhood—for Christian manhood.

Then we emerge from that, and there follows the day of operative Masons, who go forth on the grand career of building the cathedrals that everywhere dot Europe and the islands; and then it was that Luther came, that genius of the great monk who brought forth Protestantism out of the bewildering entanglement of the Church of Rome, and with it came the purity of principle, liberty of thought, and the grandeur of a free man dedicated to Almighty God.

Let me speak a word for tolerance here, within the circle of the Masonic Fraternity. It goes back, my Brethren, to that day. You who know full well the work of the Deist Diderot, D'Alembert, and Voltaire, and that coterie of great souls, although they were not of the same faith as some of us personally, their freedom, their bravery of thought, within the Masonic Lodge found a home, and they found a place to speak, and they found hearts that would beat responsive to their own, though in their heads they did not think alike.

So it is that out from this, when they had ceased to build the cathedrals, came the glory of speculative Masonry, when, in 1717, on St. John's Day, that other St. John, — St. John the Baptist's Day, the 24th of June, — there in London the four lodges united. In the February before, they had virtually become one, but then they elected their officers; and it is from that date that we may take the rise of modern Masonry. From out the ashes of operative Masonry, sphinx-like, rose the glory and the beauty and the grandeur of modern Masonry, and all along the line, from that day to this, it has done its grand work.

We must come down through the turmoil and bewilderment of French Masonry, with its political Lodges, bearing for us a good warning to-day, lest we should seek the Lodge, or use the Lodge for political preferment, for they who sought the Restoration of the Stuarts in France reaped the reward of prostituting Masonry to political purposes, and went the way of wrong. Then we have Cagliostro coming to meet the French Masons, a tangled skein that it is hard to unravel, with all the confusion that arose between York and Kil-winning, and all the political Lodges of France, until 1813, again on St. John's Day, we find the union of all the Lodges; and it is from that time that the single issuing of the charters comes, from which we in America obtained our own.

And so we have grown, and so along the way we have experienced our evolution, we have conquered, we have gained our independence, we have established our Lodges here, each upon its own foundation; and then came the Grand Lodges of all the States, and foremost among them, peerless in the amount of work that she has done, and in the beneficent spirit that she has shed abroad, and in the genius that has made her what she ought to be, — in that proud place stands the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Brethren, I am a clergyman. It is natural that I should love the church above all other institutions; but my right hand goes out to the Masonic Lodge, and to the Masonic Fraternity throughout the world, as the handmaid of God in the grand work of redeeming man from lower thought, lower purpose, and lower impulse, and building him up after the pattern of the Divine.

I am glad to be with you to-night. If my Brother, your

Grand Master, has been kind enough to reckon me among his friends, I am grateful. I have always counted him as a man, and have always felt that, whatever God might prosper him in, in that would we rejoice; and no man among you is prouder to-day than I am that you have chosen him for his merit to sit in the chair where he shall rule over one of the greatest Bodies in all this great world. I present to him and to you my congratulations.

There is but a single other thought that I have to express and it is this: It is something to be allied with an Institution that is so old. It is something to journey there by the Nile and read in every obelisk, and in that statue of Memnon, which sang at early morn, and in the crumbling piles of pillars, the genius of the operative Masons of long ago. It is something to journey to the Imperial City of Rome, and in aqueduct and arch learn of the Roman corporation of builders. It is something to climb the hill Moriah and dig down under all the *débris* that have accumulated through the ages and find the foundations of King Solomon's Temple itself. But it is more than this, if we may make Masonry the power in the world that my Brother in his message has suggested that it ought to be. I care not whether the Institution be old or young so much as I care that it be dedicated to all that is right, all that is pure, all that is most noble.

Phidias, that chiefest of the sculptors of Greece, was found one day before a statue which he had created. He had knocked away the chips that concealed the features of beauty till the statue stood revealed in all its loveliness. The world was singing his praises everywhere. But Phidias

himself is reported to have been in tears, and a friend who inquired the cause, and who told him of all the praise that was abroad, had this for an answer: "It is for this very cause I weep — that I have created my ideal. I can see nothing to improve in the figure before me." Sad would be the day, Brethren, if Masonry had reached the heights and must go down. No; it is your duty and it is mine, that, as this grand Institution has led the progress of civilization, has stood in the fore front of all that is best and truest on the earth, that we should see to it that its sceptre shall not depart, but that as the ages come and go it shall take on more of power, and be more truly consecrated to the Infinite God and the saints to whom it is dedicated; and I pray that you and I, and all of us together, throughout the confines of this Grand Body that you represent, and throughout all the world, may be, on this day of the loving disciple of our Lord, so dedicated anew to the service, so, before our God, consecrated to living ourselves the principles for which we stand, and that they be so inculcated in us that we shall speed forward in the progress of Freemasonry, that right hand of the Lord in the establishment of His kingdom upon the earth. I thank you, Brother Holmes, and Brethren all, for this privilege of speaking in your hearing.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, conversing with one of the distinguished Past Grand Masters of this Grand Lodge regarding the introduction of speakers, he said some speakers objected to being introduced in the following manner:—

"We have with us to-night one who." He said that he did not like to be called a "one who," but I am going to call upon him as "one who," having filled the highest position in this Grand Body, does not lose his interest in Masonry, but cheerfully responds whenever Masonry demands his service. Since he retired from the position of Grand Master, I have listened to him with delight when he assumed the Master's chair in his own Lodge and worked the third degree. I have with no less pleasure listened to him when he installed the officers of a Lodge with a ritual of his own. It was a great satisfaction to me to have him install me this afternoon into the office of Grand Master. Brethren, I give you the health and happiness of Right Worshipful Brother Samuel Wells.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER WELLS.

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: I am not a clergyman. I am, therefore, not "one who" can make a different speech several times a day to the same audience. I have no objection to making the same speech several times a day to a different audience each time, but I must say that you took me a little by surprise, Most Worshipful. I thought I gave you plenty of "taffy" this afternoon to justify you in letting me alone. But you have called upon



me as representing past Grand Masters, and so few of my predecessors are present that I am not afraid of them.

This Grand Lodge has had very good fortune in its Grand Masters. It began with Gen. Warren and Paul Revere, and so on; Charles A. Welch and Sereno D. Nickerson, — I mention them because they are present, — and it went on and on and upwards until in 1889 it reached the apex of the pyramid. I was elected that year.

Now, what have you chosen the present Grand Master for? Not for his size. No; not for his size alone, but for his intrinsic value; and you will find that you have made a good choice. You have got a Grand Master who is the most industrious Grand Master that you have had since my time. But, as I said before, I am not a clergyman.

There was a small boy in one of the Western schools who was being examined in geography. The teacher asked him where Boston was. "Well," he said, "I know exactly where Boston is, but I haven't got the flow of language sufficient to describe it." And so I haven't got the flow of language to pursue the theme which has interested us all so much this evening, therefore I thought I would change it a little bit, and not give you a serious talk. I gave you enough of that down below.

But before I sit down I want to tell you a little anecdote by an Englishman. It is not suggested to me by Brother Cuckson, but it came back to my memory in consequence of something that he said. It was about another boy, in England, who was being examined in history, and he was asked who Oliver Cromwell was, and he said: "Oliver Cromwell was a bold, bad man, but on his death-bed he is said to

have repented, and his dying words were, 'Would that I had served my God as I did my king.'"

**THE GRAND MASTER.** — Past Grand Master Wells has referred to the fact that the apex was reached when he was Grand Master. Perhaps some of the other Grand Masters present might take a little exception to that statement; and, therefore, I will now ask Brother Welch to state whether he thinks that was a fact or not.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER WELCH.

**BRETHREN:** When I got up this morning and found what a stormy day it was, I said to myself, "Now, I will reflect on what I will say to the Grand Lodge. I know there will be a great many clergymen present, and they will give us extracts from their old sermons. They will be very excellent, of course, as they ought to be, but what shall I say?" And while I was considering and reflecting on this, I fell asleep. When I arose the nurse told me the best thing that I could do would be to go to bed and lie down, if I was going to sit up so late to-night as I probably should, for I usually go to bed at eight o'clock, under her direction.

But, Brethren, I am very happy to be present here to-night, and hear these excellent addresses that have been delivered from these excellent gentlemen who have taken the opportunity, which they do not often have in their churches, of

giving you good advice. I have the highest respect for them, and I know that they have got so accustomed to stating certain things, that, perhaps, they do not exactly believe in themselves, that I have no doubt they were very glad of the chance to come here and enlighten us a little; but what I say I do believe in.

I believe that the Grand Lodge is an excellent institution. I believe that the friendship that is established here is a lasting friendship. I know that I have friends here whom I esteem and love, perhaps, more than I do almost anybody else. I know that I have come to the last dregs of life, but still there is something worth considering here; there is something here that makes it pleasant for me to come. I can meet some friends here who will, perhaps, be very happy to lend a hand when I am laid into my last resting place. But, whether this be so or not, let me assure you all that I have the highest regard and respect for Masonry.

When I consider that three hundred years ago men of different religious beliefs were persecuting one another — Protestants persecuting Catholics, and Catholics persecuting Protestants — men of one religious denomination persecuting men of another religious denomination, and when I find that we now come here, and meet all together, men of different feelings and different opinions in religious matters, some believing in the Trinity, and some in the Unity — when I consider all this, I cannot help thinking that this Grand Lodge, and that Masonry, is an Institution which after all is a benefit to all of us, and to all mankind. It softens all those asperities of feeling which in olden times, and when I was a boy, exasperated one member of a congregation against

another, and a member of one denomination against those of another denomination.

I can remember, — for I was brought up in the odor of sanctity, in the Old South Church, — and pardon me if I say a word or two that may reflect a little upon any individual, — when I heard men say in the pulpit that all except a few chosen ones — one out of a million or two millions — alone would be saved, and that the rest were to perish in everlasting fire, and when I remember all the feelings of discord, and consider that men meet together here, and although they may have those beliefs, they do not fail to shake the hand of a man who is going to be sentenced in that way, and when I meet men here who do not care whether I believe in Mohammed or in the Christian religion — when I remember that Masonry unites men of every sect and opinion, that a Mahomedan may sit on one side of me, and a Universalist on the other, — when I consider all this I cannot but think that Masonry is an Institution which softens our hearts and makes us feel kindly to our fellow-men.

And, after all, what is there that is better than that we should feel charitably and kindly to all mankind? Are they not our brothers? And though we may esteem those who are Masons more dearly than others, yet we ought to remember that all men are our brothers, and that we should feel for them a regard, almost the regard that we feel for Masons; at any rate, that we should not wish them to perish in eternal fire.

But the hour is late. My Brother called upon me here because he said that there were a great many eloquent men to speak to you first, and that after that a little dribbling

at the end would do no harm; and so I come to dribble out to you that little. And why should I touch upon any of those points that our Brethren have touched upon before? It would be impossible for me to surpass them in their eloquent remarks. It would be impossible for me to show to you how much better we are at present than our Brethren were in the past, but surely I think so now.

It is a great fashion to praise the Puritans. Well, they might have been very good and excellent men, but they were certainly about as disagreeable fellows as you could find anywhere in the world. It may be that some time or other I may attend some Puritan meeting, and I shall be called upon to speak in praise of the Puritan, which I should do with as much honesty, probably, as some of the people here have praised the Masonic Order. But, whether I do or not, I assure you that my great love is for the present time, and it is with some regret that I feel that I am now halting along on one leg, and that when that one gives out, I shall drop into that place which is appointed for all of us. But I hope to keep up as long as I can, and as long as I can be with you and remain with you and enjoy your society, I shall be most happy to do it.

God grant that the Masonic Order may be as prosperous in the future as it has been for some years back. I can remember the time, in 1830, I think it was, when certain persons who were Masons went through the streets of Boston, and were hissed as they went along. It was in the time of the great anti-Masonic movement; but things are different now. I believe there are some anti-Masons even now in Chicago. I saw an account of a meeting in Chi-

cago where they abused the Masonic Fraternity, and said that there could be no safety for the country while the Masonic Order existed.

But I remember now that shortly after the late war had ceased, I met, I think, in the Lodge of St. Andrew, a number of gentlemen who composed a Lodge in Virginia, some of whom were Governors then, or one of whom, at any rate, was Governor; and we met as fraternally and as happily as men could meet, and I think that it was chiefly owing to the Masonic Institution, and to the feelings which exist between different Masonic Bodies. Since the war has been over those kind feelings, which had been changed for a time, came back, and filled the whole country with a spirit of brotherhood. It is certainly a remarkable thing that after so long and so bloody a war men should be so united as they are at the present moment, that there should be the kind feelings existing now that existed before the war; and I attribute it to the Masonic Body to a great degree. I do not mean to say that it was entirely due to Masonry; but the Masonic Order had a great deal to do with it.

Therefore I say, May the Masonic Order always flourish. May good will and good feeling always exist among us. And may we always endeavor to do those things which will keep alive the good feeling which exists at the present time. Controversies may arise, differences may exist, but it is a pleasant thing that, when an election is over, every one unites to honor him who is elected to the office of Grand Master; and I trust that it may always be so in the future, and that we may honor those who are elected to office —

always excepting, not the present company, but the person who now addresses you.

**THE GRAND MASTER.** — Brethren, I now present to you the Encyclopædia of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master's staff, our distinguished Recording Grand Secretary, of whom a Brother can rarely ask a question relating to Masonic matters without getting the desired information. Our beloved Brother and Past Grand Master, Right Worshipful Sereno D. Nickerson.

**RESPONSE OF BROTHER NICKERSON.**

**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER:** I think I must tell the Masonic Brethren a little Masonic secret that you told me two or three days ago, — that in conducting the Feast of St. John the Evangelist you intended to ignore all the Masonic proprieties; that you intended to call upon the Brethren without any regard to order or formality; and I think that you have carried out most admirably your rule; for, in calling upon the Past Grand Masters, you have commenced at the apex and gone steadily towards the base. Whether in this experiment your efforts will prove a success, I think is rather doubtful.

The thought which almost always comes into my mind at the celebration of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist — and I think that there are very few Brethren present who have attended more of those Feasts than I have, and probably

very few, I might say, who have enjoyed them more highly than I have—is that it was a wise thought on the part of the authorities who established the first warranted Lodges in this country, that they required the distinguished founder of Masonry, (and in fact adopted the same provision in all the warrants that they issued after that time, no matter in what part of the country they were established),—that they required that the Craft should specially celebrate the Feast of St. John the Baptist or St. John the Evangelist, one or the other.

I think that all the Brethren who have enjoyed this occasion will appreciate the wisdom of that provision. I hope that the time is not very far distant when we shall be required to accommodate the whole Grand Lodge for the celebration of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist. I believe that it would have a most excellent effect. I delight to see the Brethren who come from other parts of the State on these occasions. We almost always have a considerable representation from other towns and cities than Boston, and I think that we shall all agree that the more we get of such representation the better it will be for the Fraternity.

We come here on this occasion and listen to the ideas of different speakers. Very different lines of thought are suggested, and we realize, I think, the universality and the broadness of Masonry. The Brethren who come here, who have not the opportunity very often of listening to many of these speakers, go home with renewed interest and renewed zeal in the cause of Masonry, and they spread that interest and zeal among the Brethren of their Lodges. The more we



have of this feeling and of this interest the better I think it will be for the Masonic Fraternity; and so I hope, as I have said before, the time will come when we can entertain the representatives of all the Lodges throughout the State on these occasions and send them home with fresh interest and fresh zeal to promote the cause of Masonry, which is equivalent to the cause not only of good government and good conduct, but as you have been told to-night of good citizenship and good manhood in every direction.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, we have listened with a great deal of pleasure and delight to one of our distinguished Brethren from Lowell. There is another Brother here from Lowell, who is endeared to every one of our hearts. He has served for some years on the Board of Directors and has always been loyal and faithful to Masonry and to the Grand Lodge. I cannot help calling on him, although I promised not to do so. I give you the health and happiness of Right Worshipful Brother Charles C. Hutchinson, of Lowell.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER HUTCHINSON.

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETHREN: I stand here overwhelmed by your kindness. It is, of course, very gratifying to me, and I am grateful to you for it. In

words weak in utterance, but strong in their sincerity, I thank you for it.

As I sat in the Lodge-room, listening to the impressive ceremonies of the installation, my eye caught the portraits of distinguished Brethren which hang upon the walls,—I beg pardon, which adorn the walls,—and it brought to my mind pleasing reminiscences of associations of the past, and memories of gifts and bestowments which have come to us, secured by the labors of other men, and this thought occurred to me: Men die, institutions live.

There is not living at the present time one of the founders of our Institution, yet I believe that the spirit in which it was founded still lives here. I believe it was founded in the spirit of the broadest toleration. *That* lives here. It was founded in the spirit of Faith and Hope and Charity. *That* lives here. Its founders had a belief in the common fatherhood of God, and the common brotherhood of man. *That* lives here. They felt it their duty to disseminate the great principles of education, good morals, true and upright living. *That* duty rests upon us to-day. How far and to what extent their lives were influenced by the principles which we teach, no one can tell.

You and I, my Brethren, know many a worthy, zealous Brother, possessing the grace of courteous manner, honoring his vocation by the virtues of truth, uprightness, and an unquestioned and unsuspected integrity,—men who dare look duty in the face, and, so looking, dare move forward in its discharge; men whose pride is not so much in the ritualistic ceremonies of our Order as in the courtesy of the Fraternity, in the opportunities for good it affords them,

in the charity we inculcate, and in the principles of those sublime lessons which form the fundamental tenets of Masonry.

Now, can you tell—can any one tell—how much of the lives of these men, how much of their station in society, how much of their influence for good in the community in which they live, how much of their high sense of honor, truth, and integrity, are the results of, and depend upon, the lessons which we teach? I think that you will find this a difficult question to answer, for there is no standard by which we can measure moral and intellectual force. We know generally that the lessons which we teach serve to elevate the mind, ennoble the heart, smooth over the rough and rugged asperities of life, and awaken in man the most generous impulses, and lead him to the reflection that he is a responsible being—a man; and the influence of these lessons goes on and on and on, beyond the power of calculation.

It is upon the personal character of our individual members that the success and position of our Institution depend. This personal character is the sum of our daily lives, to be secured neither by the aid of associates nor by the services of indulgent and well-wishing friends. Little by little it is builded up, until it stands out before the world like the statue to which my friend has referred, to be admired and copied for the beauty and harmony of its lines, or avoided and condemned for its coarse and unsymmetrical presence.

It has been said that everything writes its history. The rippling rivulet leaves its mark upon the mountain; the

falling drop leaves its sculpture on the stone. So this Grand Lodge, for many years, has been building and making its history; and it seems to me to-night, as we are here reviewing the bestowments and the benefits which have come to us from the past, and contemplate those which probably lie before us, we may, like the ancient Scythians, drop the white pebble. You will remember it is related of them that every night, if the day had been bright and joyous, they dropped into an urn a white pebble; if it had been unfortunate and miserable, a black one. So I think we can stand here to-night, and remembering all the gifts which have come to us from the past, and anticipating what the future promises, we may cast a white pebble.

Of the Brethren who have spoken, one has referred to the loyalty of every member of the Masonic Fraternity to him who presides in the East. I refer to it now simply to say that, although, as the result of the election two weeks ago, my Brother's flag floats in the breeze, and mine trails in the dust, yet no scars remain, no rancor, no revengeful spirit. The breach which separated us on that day is closed, and closed forever. In its stead has come a golden chain which binds him and me more closely in the bonds of friendship, and which unites us both to this great Brotherhood, every member of which will strengthen his hands, and aid him in every effort he shall make to uphold the honor, maintain the dignity, and insure the prosperity of this Grand Lodge.

For myself, I can only say to you, my Brother, that among all this great Brotherhood, you will find no more loyal subject than I shall be; and whether it be in the open arena of the Grand Lodge, or in the closer communion of the

Director's room, I will do whatever I can to help, aid and assist you in the discharge of your important duties.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, I wish to thank Right Worshipful Brother Hutchinson for the kind words which he has spoken, and for the loyalty which he has expressed. The only regret that I have in connection with my election to this high office is that, unconsciously, Brother Hutchinson and myself became candidates for it without either knowing what the other intended to do. I certainly had no desire to stand against so able, beloved and popular a Brother, and one so eminently fitted for the position of Grand Master as Right Worshipful Brother Hutchinson.

The years swiftly fly. It is my earnest wish, and it will be a great satisfaction to me, if at the expiration of my service I could place the insignia of office in his hands.

Brother Thorndike says that in his position of Corresponding Grand Secretary he has felt obliged to crack all the funny jokes. I assure you he will not find it any funny joke to serve as Deputy Grand Master, but a very serious matter. I think he has already been so sobered by his new position that I will now call upon

him. I know you will like to hear from him when he is in a serious mood.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER THORNDIKE.

**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER:** At this late hour I shall most certainly venture to say but a very few words. I shall not plunge into any of the great questions which have agitated us this evening. Most assuredly I shall not try to solve the great theological controversy which I unwittingly stirred up.

In the first place, I wish to thank you for appointing me Deputy Grand Master. You spoke of my having been Corresponding Grand Secretary. I am very grateful to you for transferring me from that office to the one which I now hold. I had begun to think that the words had been taken seriously that I uttered two years ago, when I said that I wished to be re-appointed every year to the position of Corresponding Grand Secretary, because every Grand Master devised new, imaginary duties for me, and I was curious to know what the next kind was going to be.

Still, after a while it became a little tedious. I had made all the good jokes that I could think of about the office, to say nothing of a great many bad ones. And yet it was a very pleasant office, and the principal pleasure, perhaps, connected with it was the fact that I was permitted to sit next to Brother Nickerson, and to walk in processions with Brother Carr. Then, too, in the various offices that I had held outside of the Fraternity I had always had a pretty busy time of it. I had heard of a sinceure,

and I looked in the dictionary to find out what a sinecure was, and I discovered that it was an office that had plenty of privileges and no duties connected with it. The office of Corresponding Grand Secretary was a sinecure. The incumbent of that office wore very pretty things, and he walked high up in the procession, and he was called "Right Worshipful," and he had nothing whatever to do. But still, as I say, it got a little monotonous, and so I am much obliged to you for having transferred me.

Only a single word, and this seriously, as you suggest, in regard to the office to which you have promoted me. I thank you most sincerely for the honor that you have done me. I thank you more than that for the gracious words with which you have accompanied it. The opportunity to be of further service in the great cause that we have at heart is surely a great pleasure to me, and I need not assure you, sir, that it is a still greater pleasure to be able to do this under your administration.

It is too late for me to make a speech to-night. Besides, you heard enough of me this afternoon. I only want to say one single thing. If one must make speeches after dinner — and I have always protested that it is not necessary — I have been long hoping that the Society for Psychical Research would gradually develop the doctrine of thought transference, so that it would be unnecessary to stand up and say what we think and feel.

If one must make speeches, I think that they should take the turn that they have taken here to-night. We open our North American Review, or some other Review, and we see such articles as, Why am I a Mormon? or, Why am I a

Jew? or, Why am I a free trader? or, Why am I a Cleveland man? or anything else you please. I am glad to hear men here to-night, (if they must make speeches at all), rise and say why they are Freemasons.

I am a little bit of a heretic on that point; or, rather, my reasons differ from those of some Brothers. Brother Woodbury always speaks of the great doctrines which underlie Freemasonry, for which, he thinks, we exist,—the doctrines of intellectual freedom, of religious freedom, of good citizenship, of good civil service, and all that kind of thing. I fully agree with all that Brother Woodbury and some other Brethren have said about all those things. Nobody adheres more strongly than I do to the goodness of those things; but, still, I do not believe that they are the peculiar tenets, or, rather, the especial purposes of Freemasonry, simply because I think that Freemasonry takes them all for granted.

If I were asked why I am a Freemason, I should merely fall back on what has been rather lightly passed over to-night, as if it were not of so much importance as some of these higher things. I may illustrate what I have in mind, by saying that I was walking the other day with a charming young woman,—which is always a charming thing to do, especially when she is a daughter of a distinguished and beloved Mason, as this one was,—and she said: “My father tells me that you have just been admitted a member of so and so Commandery. I should like to know what you find there to interest you?” I thought a moment, and then I said: “Look here; I belong, I suppose, outside of Freemasonry, to as many clubs and associations and



societies, and that sort of thing, as often fall to the lot of over-burdened humanity,—say, two or three clubs of the common kind, where they have dining-rooms and reading-rooms and smoking-rooms and billiard-rooms; three or four literary societies; three or four musical societies; and so forth. I suppose that I find in each of those just what I go there to find. I do not find in any one of them just what I find in a Masonic Lodge,—the sense that every man that I meet there, every man that I sit down by, every man that I shake hands with, every man that I clap on the back, is a good fellow; and the further sense that he believes me to be a good fellow.” And that, Most Worshipful Grand Master, is the reason why I am a Mason.

THE GRAND MASTER. — Brethren, last year we were given a surprise and delight by the attendance at our Feast of Right Worshipful Brother Ely. I am glad to see that he enjoyed the occasion well enough to be with us again to-night. I take pleasure in calling upon him once more.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER ELY.

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER: I think you must have a somewhat gigantic idea of the endurance of the Brethren whom I see before me. Some years ago Mr. Robert C. Winthrop delivered an address at Plymouth on Forefathers' Day. Mr. Webster and Mr. Everett had performed that service at an earlier period; and at the dinner

which succeeded the address, Mr. Winthrop, in reply to some compliments upon his address, said, "It is a difficult task to glean in the field over which has passed the broad scythe of Daniel Webster, and the golden sickle of Edward Everett." And if, Brethren, a man of Mr. Winthrop's surpassing eloquence could make in sincerity a remark like that, what must be my fate, to stand here at this late hour before you, after the very eloquent and remarkably able addresses which have been made to you by those who have preceded me.

But I will say that I regard it as one of the greatest privileges and pleasures of my life to be present at these annual Grand Feasts. There seems to be an atmosphere pervading a room in which Masons are gathered together, which we find in no other place. As my Brother Thorn-dike says, we think each other to be good fellows. Ah, further,—we go further than to *think*,—we believe, and we know that we are all good fellows.

That has been strikingly illustrated here to-night, and I am very glad for a moment to have the opportunity and the privilege of referring to it. I was not present at the annual election. I knew who the candidates were, however, and I will say of them, that I felt, in the words of the poet, "How happy could I be with either, were t'other dear charmer away!" I listened with exceeding pleasure to the generous and noble words which my Brother Hutchinson has uttered here this evening; and I hoped my life would be spared until the time should arrive when I could come up to this Grand Lodge and cast my vote for him for Most Worshipful Grand Master. He has in him the true Masonic spirit, and the true Masonic heart.

I was glad to know that our friend is to occupy this high position. It is an exceedingly great honor to him, especially as a young man among us. It is an honor to every young man among the Lodges of Massachusetts when one of their number is elevated to this high position, and young and old we will stand by him and support his hands, and make his administration grand and honorable in the sight of all men. But when his term shall end, I think at least those of us who are gathered here know whom we shall be glad to honor in the highest position in the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Now, my Brethren, I heartily join in everything that has been said here to-night. The discussion, or at least the addresses, happened to turn in a direction in which my thoughts had been turned by a mere accident. We come up here, at these annual Feasts, to express our devotion to the interests of Masonry in Massachusetts and throughout the world,—to express our veneration for its history and its principles, and our thankfulness for the good it has done in the world.

But not very long ago I happened to be invited to a different sort of a feast. In clearing out a garret from the accumulations of many years, I came across certain sermons and addresses which had been delivered by Masonic apostates of sixty years ago; and I was somewhat surprised at the very radical views which those men, whose eyes had really been opened at some time to the light of Freemasonry, took of the Institution, and the diverse views which they expressed to the public.

One man, I noticed, said that the principles of Freemasonry would undermine the Constitution of the United

States, destroy the Christian religion, and would tend to turn every votary of Freemasonry into a murderer and a perjurer.

Another one, not referring to any of those things, said that Freemasonry was a puerile Institution; that every hour that a man spent in a Masonic Lodge was wasted; that there was nothing in it; and he attempted to illustrate this by a reference to certain emblems of the material world, of the vegetable and mineral world.

It seemed to me exceedingly strange that one of these men should contend that this Institution was of such surpassing strength that it could overthrow the strongest government on the face of the earth, and overthrow the most enlightened system of religion that the world has ever known; and that another should think it was so weak and puerile that it was unworthy the attention of men. They seemed never to have appreciated the great principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth. Those great principles, which are inculcated in all Masonic Lodges month after month, seem never to have entered their cold and unsympathetic hearts. But, Brethren, such men are rare, as we all know.

We know that in later years, since the great storm of sixty years ago has passed by, the men who went out from Freemasonry, who renounced its principles and its ritual, as many of them as were alive, came back and knocked at the doors of Masonic Lodges, and asked liberty once more to join in those glorious ceremonies, and to take Masons by the hand once more as Brothers.

I remember one in our own town, — a man of considerable prominence in the town, — who was among those that

were expelled from Freemasonry by the Grand Lodge; and when in 1870 we constituted a Masonic Lodge in the town of Dedham, he was among the first to come to me as the Master of that Lodge and ask me to use my influence to have him restored to Masonry; and I came up to the Grand Lodge to see what I could do. We all joined, and the Grand Lodge restored that man to Masonry, and there never was a more devoted Mason upon the face of the earth than he was up to the time of his death. He loved the Lodge; he loved the Institution; he loved his Brethren; and on every annual Communication, although he was a poor man, up to the time of his death he showed his interest in the Lodge, his repentance for one part of his life, by making a small contribution, outside of his dues, to the treasury of the Lodge.

But, Brethren, it is too late to make any extended remarks. I am happy to be here. I am happy to be with you. I congratulate you on the prosperous condition of the Grand Lodge; and now I will close, remembering the season of the year in which we meet, with that very touching remark of the little boy in the Christmas Carol, "God bless us all, every one."

**THE GRAND MASTER.** — Brethren, just one more speaker, and then we will all join in singing "Auld Lang Syne." There is an association called the District Deputy Grand Masters' Association. One of its most popular members and officers has to-night been installed as Junior

Grand Warden of this Grand Lodge. I am convinced that he will give as good an account of himself in his position as Grand Warden as he has in his other positions. I will ask Brother Mills to address you.

#### RESPONSE OF BROTHER MILLS.

**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER:** In conversation with the Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden I asked him if the Grand Master would expect us, as Wardens, to make a speech on each of our visits to the various Lodges, he responded, "Oh, no; I have spoken with the Grand Master, and informed him that I shall not say anything to-night." Much to my surprise, very early in the evening he was called upon for a speech. He informs me that his Lodge felt highly honored that he should have been chosen for such a position.

Now, Brethren, I have been elected as Junior Grand Warden, to represent the pillar of beauty. I have always had a high opinion of Masonry, but I think never more so than to-night, because of your good judgment in the selection that you have made for this year.

Of course, if I am to represent the pillar of beauty, I must be expected to possess all its attributes; and, after all these eloquent speeches that we have heard, you will hardly expect me to make any extended remarks; but I assure you, Brethren, that it gives me great pleasure to meet with you year after year on these social occasions, and feel the warm grasp of friendship from your hands, and

renew old acquaintances. I hope that this Institution will continue as long as there is need for it, and that need will cease to exist only when the teachings of Freemasonry shall have become the principles of all mankind,—that is, when the belief in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man shall have become universal. When this doctrine shall prevail from North to South, from East to West, and to the uttermost parts of the earth, then, perhaps, the need for Freemasonry will cease.

Some of our reverend Brethren have had a little discussion upon religious beliefs. As to myself, I will not confine my belief in the attributes of Deity to three, but will rather say that all attributes are His. Whether it be Trinity or Unity, it shall not change me. I believe in the Creator, our Father and Benefactor. That to me is sufficient.

I trust that I may be long permitted to join in such occasions as this, and I hope that Masonry as taught by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts may continue for centuries to come. Perhaps I could not voice my sentiments better than by using the words of a missionary convert who came one day to the missionary, and said that he had written a poem. The missionary was very much surprised, but took the poem and read it. It was in the following words:

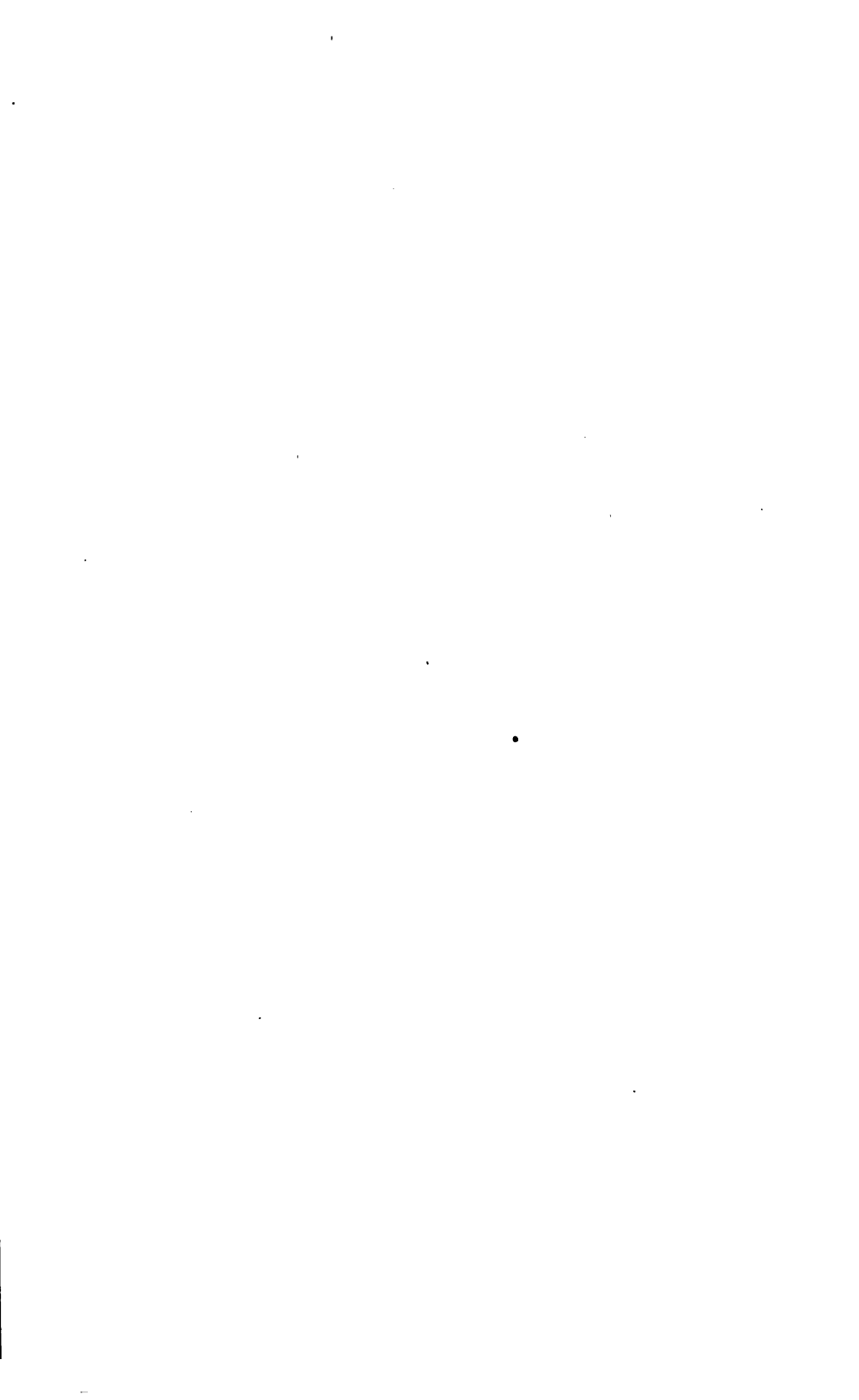
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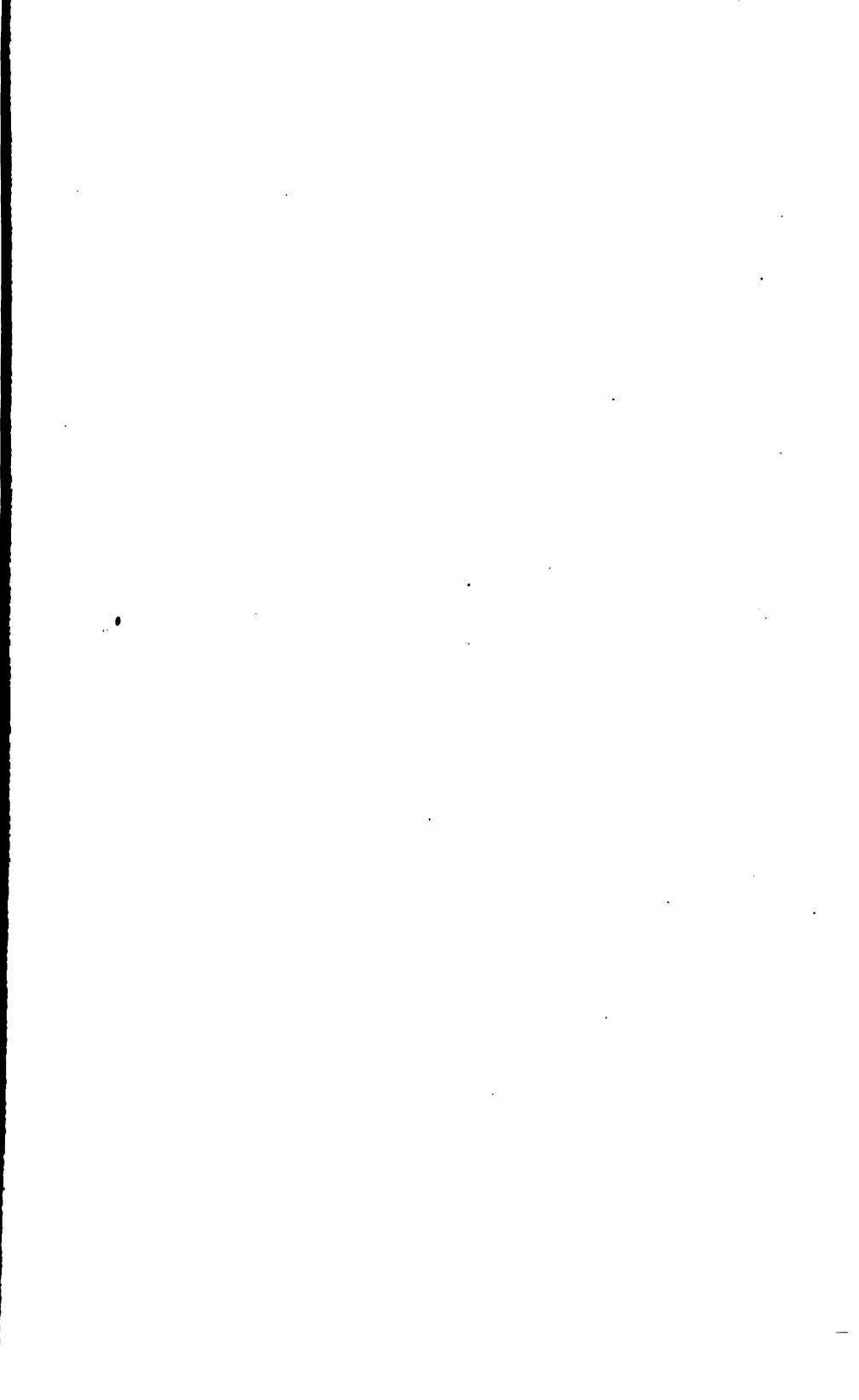
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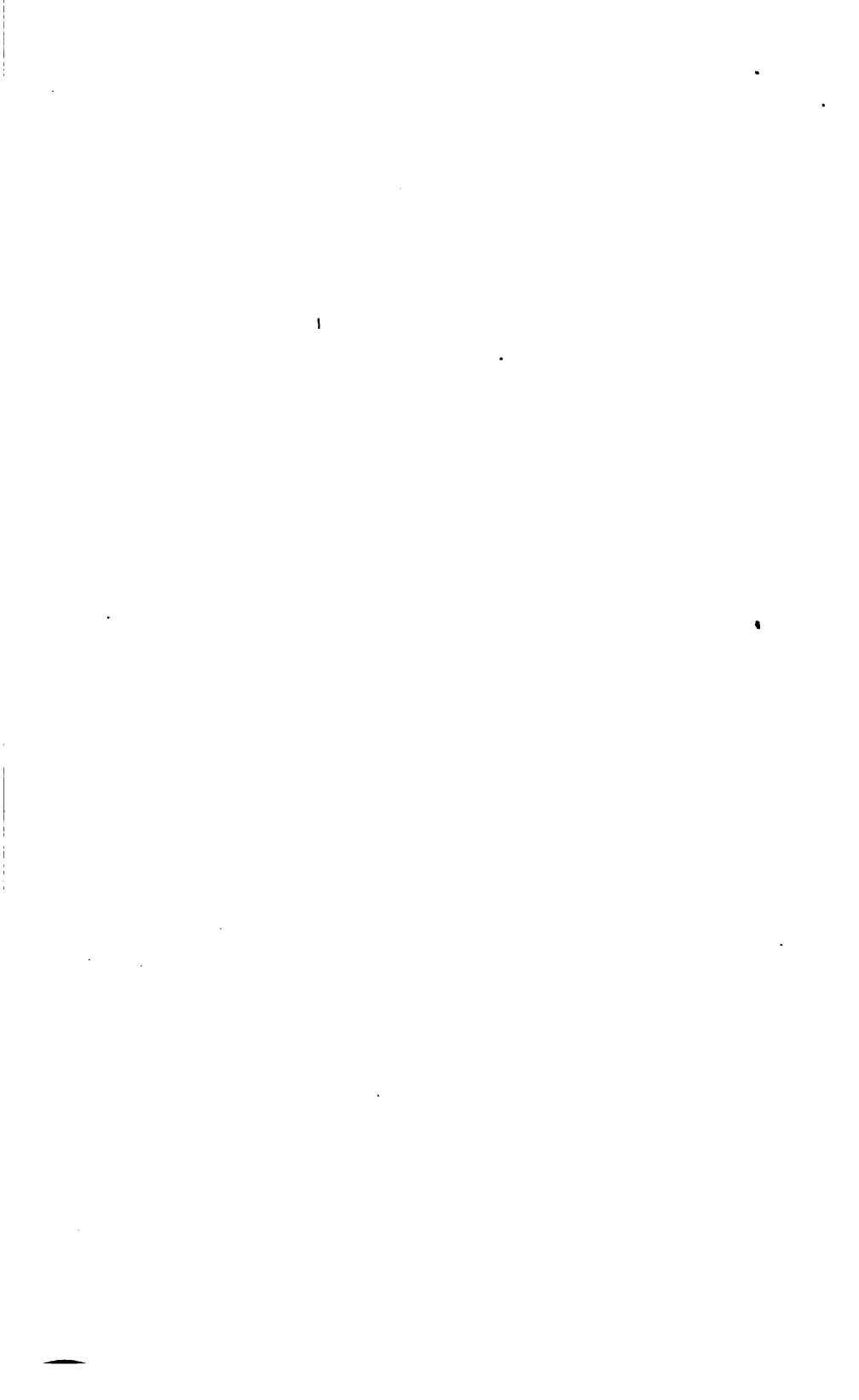
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THE GRAND MASTER.—Brethren, let us all join with the quartet in singing "Auld Lang Syne."

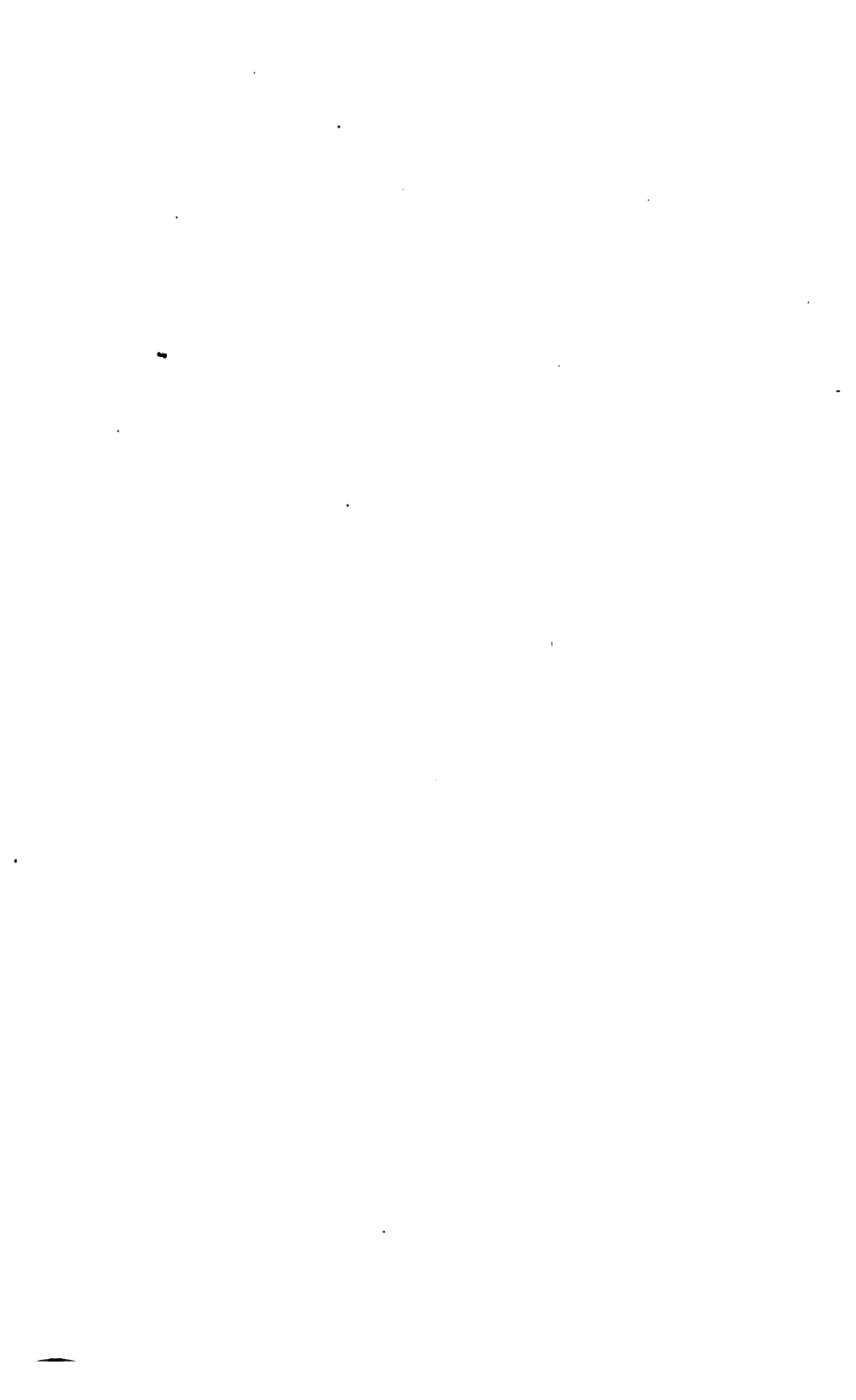








RETURNS OF LODGES.



# APPENDIX,

CONTAINING

ABSTRACTS OF RETURNS OF LODGES, LODGES IN  
MASONIC DISTRICTS, ALPHABETICAL LIST OF  
LODGES, THEIR LOCATIONS, MASTERS,  
WARDENS AND SECRETARIES, PAST  
OFFICERS AND PERMANENT MEM-  
BERS OF THE GRAND LODGE,  
AND ORGANIZATION  
FOR 1895.



## FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Refections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Saint John's . . . .	11	10	10	1				1	7	11		262	10	1
Lodge of St. Andrew .									1	1		20		
Massachusetts . . . .	11	11	11					1	1	1		169	10	
Columbian . . . . .	29	29	29	1	3	2		2	7	31	1	867	19	
Mount Lebanon . . . .	10	10	4	2		2			9	6		273	4	
Germania . . . . .	19	19	19						2	19		192	19	
Winslow Lewis . . . .	2	3	4					1	3	6		94	4	
Revere . . . . .	23	23	21	1				4	5	22		249	13	1
Joseph Warren . . . .	17	17	16	2		3		4	14	18		392	18	1
	122	122	114	7	3	7		13	50	125	1	2,018	97	3

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

E. BENTLEY YOUNG, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

JAMES T. WETHERALD,

GEORGE ELLIS REED,

WILLIAM B. ROBINSON.

## SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
King Solomon's . . .	4	4	7			1		2	4	7	2	190	7	1
Amicable . . .	7	7	7		2			2	6	7	2	237	7	1
Putnam . . .	12	12	12	1				1	3	14		154	12	1
Aberdour . . .	11	13	13	1	1	3			3	15		148	13	1
Mount Olivet . . .	8	9	9					4	1	10		148	9	
Lodge of Eleusis . . .	4	3	3					4	1	5		73		1
Mizpah . . .	6	5	5						2	6		163	5	1
Zetland . . .	12	12	11	1		3		3	2	11		191	11	1
Joseph Webb . . .	14	12	12	3				3	3	14		205	12	
	78	77	79	6	3	7		19	25	89	4	1,504	76	7

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

EUGENE C. UPTON, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

ERNEST C. MARSHALL,	CHESTER M. PERRY,	HORACE A. WALLINGFORD,	HORACE G. KENT,
WALTER U. LEWISON,		EDWARD B. DALE,	WALWORTH O. BARBOUR.



## THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Winthrop . . . . .	12	12	9	1	3			1	1	9		105	9	1
Hammat . . . . .	12	12	10	1				2	3	10	1	155	10	1
Henry Price . . . . .	8	8	8		4			1	3	8		250	8	1
Baalbec . . . . .	7	11	22					5	5	23		357	22	1
Star of Bethlehem . . . . .	19	18	21	1	2			4	4	22		279	21	1
Mount Tabor . . . . .	7	8	6					2	3	7		330	6	1
Robert Lash . . . . .	11	11	8	3				3	3	9		164	8	1
Temple . . . . .	5	6	6					1	2	7		197	6	1
Faith . . . . .	11	11	11			6		3	4	11		155	11	1
	92	97	101	6	9	6		17	28	106	1	1,992	101	9

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: JOSEPH H. GLEASON, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

SIDNEY H. GRIFFIN,	GILBERT M. STALKER,	ARTHUR B. CHAMPLIN,	GEO. Z. LYTHGOE,	T. HENRY MAYO,
WILLIAM P. TREEST,	WALTER S. BREWER,	WILLIAM H. BEECHING,	WINFIELD F. PRIME.	

## FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Installed.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Masters' Diplomas.
Gate of the Temple . . . . .	14	15	15	3	2			1	4	16		221	15	
La Fayette . . . . .	11	11	11	6	1			2	2	16		150	11	
Washington . . . . .	27	25	27	3	6			11	8	30	1	317	27	
Adelphi . . . . .	5	5	5	1	6				1	9		164	7	
Eliot . . . . .	7	7	8		2			2		9		134	8	
Macedonian . . . . .	11	11	11	4						13		76	11	
Union . . . . .	15	17	17		3			5	3	20		258	17	
Prospect . . . . .	7	7	7	1					1	10		48	7	
Saint Paul's . . . . .	6	6	6	2		1		1	5	6		244	6	
Rabboni . . . . .	6	6	7		2			4	1	7	1	97	6	
	109	110	114	20	22	1		26	25	136	2	1,709	115	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: **HENRY B. CHANDLER, District Deputy Grand Master.**

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

JOHN A. MCKIM,

HARRISON DUNHAM,

FREELAND D. LESLIE,

BENJ. O. DANA.

## FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diploma.	No. Past Master's Diploma.
Bethesda . . . . .	8	8	9	1		1			4	10		133	9	
Monitor . . . . .	14	10	10	1				3	5	11	1	208	10	1
Pequossette . . . . .	11	6	6	3				3	1	9		158	6	
Dalhousie . . . . .	11	12	11	4				2	1	14	1	265	12	
Belmont . . . . .	3	2	4					1		4		81	4	
Isaac Parker . . . . .	15	11	6	4	4			4	4	7	1	158	6	1
Beth-horon . . . . .	11	10	10	1		1		3		12		125	10	1
	73	59	56	14	4	2		16	15	67	3	1,128	57	3

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:                      LEWIS M. CRANE, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

JAMES N. GREENWOOD,                      LAVATER W. POWERS,                      CLARENCE A. DELANO.

## SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
John Abbot . . . .	17	15	20	3	6	6		3	3	22		309	20	1
Simon W. Robinson . .	10	7	7	4				1	1	6		78	6	1
Iffram . . . . .	8	3	3					2	3	3		117	3	
Soley . . . . .	19	26	26					3	9	32		312	20	1
Mount Hermon . . . .	4	4	4	1				3	1	6		173	4	1
Charity . . . . .	4	7	7		1	1		2	1	7		92	7	
Mount Horeb . . . . .	7	7	7		1	1		5	5	10		163	7	1
William Parkman . . .	5	5	5	1				3	1	6		142	6	
	69	74	79	9	8	8		14	23	92		1,886	73	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

QUINCY BICKNELL, JR., District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

HORACE L. EATON,

GEORGE W. SAMPHON.

J. WALTER SANBORN,

WALTER L. HALL,

WILLIAM H. BOWERS.

## SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dismitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Mount Carmel . . .	20	20	23	10				1	2	25	1	282	23	
Wyoming . . .	18	18	18	2				3	4	20		223	18	1
Mount Vernon . . .	17	16	16					1	6	21		300	16	1
Golden Fleece . . .	25	19	19	6	7			4		24		239	19	
William Sutton . . .	3	3	6	2		2		2	4	6		94	6	
Palestine . . .	9	12	12	1				2	1	14		135	12	
Good Samaritan . . .	11	11	11	4				2		12		98	11	1
King Cyrus . . .	9	9	8	1				3		9		103	8	
Converse . . .	13	13	10					2	3	10		232	10	1
Golden Rule . . .	8	7	3	1				3	1	6		135	5	1
	133	128	126	27	7	2		23	21	147	1	1,841	128	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

JOSIAH F. KIMBALL, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

ELIMBA B. SEARS,

EDWIN G. MCINNES,

J. ALBERT STOTT,

ARTHUR W. WALKER,

JAMES DRIVER.

## EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomats.	No. Past Master's Diplomats.
Mosaic . . . . .	9	7	10	1				1	3	10		99	10	1
Start King . . . . .	12	10	10	2				3	3	10		166	10	
Acacia . . . . .	6	7	7	7	3			1	3	7	1	109	4	1
Liberty . . . . .	20	17	20	1					1	20	1	188		1
Philanthropic . . . . .	9	10	12	4	2	1		2		14		101	12	1
Essex . . . . .	14	15	15	3	2			1	2	18		192	15	
Jordan . . . . .	9	5	7	4				2	4	7	1	179	7	
Amity . . . . .	5	5	7		3			2	2	8		163	7	1
	84	76	88	22	10	1		12	18	94	3	1,127	65	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: CHAUNCEY S. RICHARDS, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

CHARLES H. PRESTON,

JOHN W. CARTER,

ARTHUR P. CHASE,

THOMAS H. G. DOUGLASS,

BENJ. COLE, JR.

## NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Saint John's . . . .	8	6	6	2				2	2	6		168	6	
Tyrian . . . . .	12	10	12	2				1	4	14		216	16	
Saint Mark's . . . .	6	6	6							6		114		1
Ashler . . . . .	11	11	11	1				3	2	11		141	11	
John T. Heard . . . .	3	3	3	1					1	2		77	2	1
Warren . . . . .	3	4	4	1				1	2	4		178	2	
Charles C. Dane . . .	5	5	5						2	5		180	5	1
Bethany . . . . .			2	1					1	2		114	2	
	48	45	49	8				7	14	50		1,188	44	3

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: ISAAC A. S. STEELE, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

ALVAN HOYT,

GEORGE W. STARKY,

WILLIAM A. BUTLER.

## TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomata.	No. Past Master's Diplomata.
Merrimack . . . . .	9	11	11	3	5			1	8	12		205	11	
Saint Matthew's . . . . .	3	3	3	2				3	2	4		129	11	1
Grecian . . . . .	3	2	3	3				3	4	3	1	286	8	
John Hancock . . . . .	5	4	4					2	1	5	2	137	1	
Tuscan . . . . .	7	7	5	1				2	1	5	1	196	5	1
Sagadahew . . . . .	2	6	7	1	2			1	2	8		228	7	1
Phœnician . . . . .	12	10	12	1				1		11	1	123	11	1
Cochichewick . . . . .	3	2	2					1		2		88	1	
	44	45	47	11	12			10	18	50	5	1,482	50	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: CHARLES II. LITTLEFIELD, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomata have been Granted.

JAMES ANDERSON, THOMAS W. EASTMAN, CHARLES P. SUMNER, FRED A. CARR.



# ELEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

1894.]

THE GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Corinthian . . . . .	4	5	4	2					2	6		80	4	1
Saint Paul . . . . .	4	4	2	1				2	1	3		87	2	1
Caleb Butler . . . . .	6	7	8	2				2	1	8		111	8	1
Thomas Talbot . . . . .	3	5	5	1						6		49	6	
Kilwinning . . . . .	4	4	3	2					1	3		135	3	1
William North . . . . .	16	17	9	5				1	3	9		326	9	
Ancient York . . . . .	10	8	10	1				3	6	10		241	10	
Pentucket . . . . .	12	6	5	6				3	10	8	1	409	5	
	59	56	46	20				11	23	52	1	1,438	46	3

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

FRANK L. WEAVER, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

ALBERT J. ATWOOD,

GEORGE H. BIXBY,

FREDERICK W. WAY.

## TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Reflections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomata.	No. Past Master's Diplomata.
Artisan . . . . .	1	2	3		2			1		4		73	3	
Athol . . . . .	2	2	3		1			1		3		129	3	1
Aurora . . . . .	10	10	10	5				2		13		193	10	
Hope . . . . .	2	2	2	1					2	4		158	2	1
Charles W. Moore . . . . .	4	5	9		2			3		9		151	10	1
Star . . . . .	4	3	5					4	1	6		163	5	1
Trinity . . . . .	5	6	5	4				1	1	6		175	5	
Wilder . . . . .	6	6	3	2					2	6		197	3	1
	34	36	40	12	5			12	6	51		1,179	41	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: SIDNEY P. SMITH, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomata have been Granted.

JAMES F. WHITCOMB,

VOLNEY W. HOWE,

GUY WOODS

JOHN E. FRENCH,

DANIEL W. MARTIN.

## THIRTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Limited.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Republican . . . . .	10	11	10	1	3			1		13	1	226		1
Harmony . . . . .	2	2	2		1					2		65	4	
Jerusalem . . . . .	8	8	9	4	2			2	4	11	1	259	16	
Pacific . . . . .	13	13	13					1	2	13		95	11	
Mountain . . . . .	5	5	7	3				2	1	9	1	81	7	1
Orange . . . . .	9	9	11	4				5	6	12		286	11	1
Morning Sun . . . . .	2	1	1		5				1	1	1	94	5	
Hampshire . . . . .	2	2	2	1	3			1	2	2	1	77	2	
Bay State . . . . .	5	5	5					1		6		91	5	1
Mechanics . . . . .	10	8	8	4						10		108		1
	66	64	68	17	14			13	16	79	4	1,382	61	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

DAVID T. REMINGTON, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

GEORGE H. WILKINS,

LUCIUS S. FIELD,

THOMAS B. ROSS,

CHARLES A. WHEELER,

CHARLES A. TOWNE.

## FOURTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dismitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Upton	2	2	2					1	2	2	1	36	2	1
Berkshire	2	1	1					2	2	2		110		
Greylock	6	7	7	3	4			3	2	3	1	126	7	1
Williams	6	6	6					1		6		45		1
Lafayette	4	2	2	2	7			5	4	4		106	4	1
	20	18	18	5	11			12	6	17	2	423	13	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

FRED E. WHITE, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

AMOS A. BELDING,

HOBART C. TOWER,

ALBERT A. WILLS,

EDGAR W. CHASE.

## FIFTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Evening Star	7	6	5	6					1	5		140	5	1
Cincinnatus									3			128		
Wisdom	1	1	1						1	2		43	2	1
Mystic	14	15	13	1						13	1	205	13	1
Huntington	2	3	2		6			3	1	2		111	2	1
Globe	4	4	4	3	2					4		69	4	
Occidental	2	2	3	1				2		3		41	3	1
Crescent	11	10	11	2	2					6		113	10	
	41	41	39	13	10			5	6	35	1	850	39	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

JOHN P. MERRILL, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

CHARLES H. BOOTH, JAMES H. DICKINSON, JOSEPH WARD LEWIS, WILLIAM C. FIELDS.

## SIXTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodges.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Hampden . . . . .	31	31	37	9	7			5	4	47	8	461	37	1
Chicopee . . . . .	2	2	2	4		2		1	1	4		137	2	
Mount Tom . . . . .	8	6	6	2				1	2	7		334	6	1
Mount Moriah . . . . .	10	10	9	5	5			2	2	11	1	267	9	
Roswell Lee . . . . .	40	38	43	6	10			4	4	55	1	527	43	
Ionic . . . . .	9	10	10	1					2	12		136	10	
Mount Holyoke . . . . .	5	5	4	2				1	1	6		103	4	1
Belcher . . . . .	3	2	1		7			4	1	2		95	1	1
Newton . . . . .	1	1	1		3				1	1	1	53	1	
Brigham . . . . .	10	10	11	1					1	13	1	73	11	
	119	115	124	30	32	2		18	17	158	12	2,186	124	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

EDWARD P. CHAPIN, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

GUY CARLETON,

JOHN WILSON BELCHER,

WILL W. GAYLORD,

WILLIAM H. FARNSWORTH.

## SEVENTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Thomas . . . . .	7	7	7	4				3	8	9		145	7	
Mount Zion . . . . .	4	6	6						1	6		121	6	
Bethel . . . . .	2	2	2	1						2		76	7	
Quabog . . . . .	10	12	8	1				2	1	10		188	8	1
Day Spring . . . . .	1								2	1		76		
Eden . . . . .	5	5	5		8					5		180	5	1
Vernon . . . . .	3	3	3		7			2		3		64		
	32	35	31	6	15			7	7	36		750	33	2

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

LOVELL L. GAGE, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

AUSTIN V. DOW,

ALFRED A. GREEN.

## EIGHTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Masters' Diplomas.
Morning Star . . . . .	17	16	16	10					11	18		354	16	1
Olive Branch . . . . .	2	2	3					1	3	3		116	3	
Montacute . . . . .	14	12	13	5				1	6	19		387	13	1
Hayden . . . . .	8	6	6	4					2	6		125	6	1
Athelstan . . . . .	20	22	21	5	2			6	3	25	1	323	21	1
Quinsigamond . . . . .	7	8	8	1				2	1	8		132	8	
Spencer . . . . .	2	3	3	1				1	1	3		102	1	1
Boylston . . . . .										3		53	3	
	70	69	70	26	2			11	26	85	1	1,592	71	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: CHARLES A. PEABODY, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

WALTER A. WILLIAMS,

FRANK M. HEATH,

HENRY W. RICE,

HENRY WALKER,

EDWIN S. FIRRELL, JR.



## NINETEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degree.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Mumford River . . .	14	14	14	2				1	1	15	1	68	8	
Solomon's Temple . .	1	1	2							1		93	2	1
Oxford . . .	3	3	2	1	1			1		3		71	2	
Blackstone River . .	2	2	2			1						93	2	1
Granite . . .	2	2	2	2				3	3	2		86	2	1
Webster . . .	3	4	4	1	1			3	1	4	1	79	5	
Quinebaug . . .	5	5	5		1			1	1	5		150	5	1
	30	31	31	6	3	1		9	6	30	2	640	26	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest: LESTER H. CUDWORTH, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

CHARLES H. HAWES,

FRANK B. HODGSON,

WALTER W. DUDLEY,

GEORGE C. WINTER.

## TWENTIETH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Siloam . . . . .	8	8	7	1				4	1	8	1	132	7	1
Montgomery . . . . .	7	6	5	3				2	3	6	2	254	5	1
Excelsior . . . . .	1	4	4	1				2	2	1		107	4	1
Mount Hollis . . . . .	3	3	3	1						6		97		1
Franklin . . . . .	8	7	7						1	6		95	7	
John Warren . . . . .	5	6	5	2				1		6		100	5	1
Charles River . . . . .	2	2	2							3		78	2	
North Star . . . . .	1	1	3		1			3	1	1		72	3	
	35	37	36	8	1			12	8	37	3	935	33	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

JOHN H. BALCOM, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

FORREST R. KINGSBURY,

HERBERT S. ELDRIDGE,

ELBRIDGE J. WHITAKER,

JOHN H. ANDREWS,

CLARENCE J. WOOLSON.

TWENTY-FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomata.	No. Past Master's Diplomata.
Meridian . . . . .	11	9	10	4		6		3	6	12		271	10	
Middlesex . . . . .	3	3	3	1					1	4	2	79	4	
United Brethren . . . . .	9	9	8	1					1	8		218	8	1
Doric . . . . .	5	5	4	1	1			1	4	4		183	4	1
Saint Bernard's . . . . .	2	2	2					1	1	2		51	2	1
Charles A. Welch . . . . .	1		5	1		2		3	2	5		111	5	1
Norfolk . . . . .	7	5	5	1				2	1	7		68	5	1
Alpha . . . . .	4	4	4	1	4				2	6		119	4	
	42	37	41	10	5	8		10	18	48	2	1,100	42	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

GEORGE A. STACY, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomata have been Granted.

GEORGE B. COPELAND,      SIDNEY B. SHATTUCK,      STEVENS A. HOLT,      SAMUEL A. WILSON,  
WILLIAM C. FREEMAN.

TWENTY-SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomats.	No. Past Master's Diplomats.
Rising Star . . . . .	3	3	3		1				2	3		96	3	1
Saint Alban's . . . . .	2	4	2	2					5	2		107		
Orient . . . . .	11	8	11	1	6	3		1	4	11		156	11	
Blue Hill . . . . .	6	6	7						1	8		107	7	1
Saint James . . . . .	2	2	2	2					1	2		104	2	1
Hyde Park . . . . .	6	5	5	2				5	2	6		177	5	
Paul Dean . . . . .	7	6	6	2	2				1	9	2	114	6	1
Constellation . . . . .	3	5	5					2	1	5		124	5	1
	40	39	41	9	9	3		8	17	46	2	985	39	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

ALBERT E. BRADLEY, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

FRANK M. L'ACKARD,

NATHANIEL W. DUNBAR,

DE WITT B. HODGINS,

LOUIS C. SOUTHWARD,

LEWIS D. SMITH.

TWENTY-THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Pioneer . . . . .	4	4	3					1	4	3	1	106	1	1
Charles H. Titus . . . . .	9	8	6		2					6		79	6	
Ezekiel Bates . . . . .	5	3	4	2					4	4		121	4	
Alfred Baylies . . . . .	6	3	5	1				2	1	7		109	7	
May Flower . . . . .	3	3	2		1			1	1	2		115	1	1
Bristol . . . . .	8	8	7	2	1				2	8		133	2	
King David . . . . .	11	10	7	4	7			1	3	7	2	271	7	1
Ionic . . . . .												123		1
	46	39	34	9	11			5	20	37	3	1,057	28	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:                      SOLON R. WRIGHT, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

JOHN E. DEBLOIS,                      GEO. A. COX,                      HENRY D. ATWELL,                      NATHANIEL J. W. FISH.

# TWENTY-FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Fellowship . . . . .	3	3	3						2	5		160	3	1
Rural . . . . .	7	8	9	1				4	3	13		207	9	1
Norfolk Union . . . . .			1		3				1	1		73	1	1
Paul Revere . . . . .	14	16	15	11				2	2	17		354	15	
John Cutler . . . . .	3	5	5	2		1			6	5		125	5	
Puritan . . . . .	3	2	3					3	2	3		122	3	
Saint George . . . . .	8	7	8	4	2			1	1	8		150	8	1
Satucket . . . . .	1	1	1	2				1	1	2		86	1	1
	39	42	45	20	5	1		11	18	54		1,283	45	4

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

HERBERT I. MITCHELL, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

CHARLES L. HOLLIS,

ASA P. FRENCH,

MERTON E. HOLMES,

PASCOTT H. PRATT.

TWENTY-FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Corner-Stone . . . . .	5	5	5			3		2	4	5		68	2	
Orphan's Hope . . . . .	1	4	3					1	2	3		164	3	
Delta . . . . .	4	4	4	2						5		84	4	
Phoenix . . . . .	3	2	6		1					8		71	3	
Plymouth . . . . .	2	2	2	1				3		3		198	2	1
Satuit . . . . .	2	2	4	1		1			2	5		31	2	1
Old Colony . . . . .	2	2	4	1						4		112	4	1
Konohassett . . . . .	2	2	2									89	2	1
	19	21	26	4	1	4		6	8	33		757	20	8

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

AMOS A. LAWRENCE, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

JOHN WHALEN,

GEORGE S. MARSH,

THOMAS A. RICH.

TWENTY-SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomata.	No. Past Master's Diplomata.
Mount Hope . . . . .	7	8	8	2	16			5	5	8		284	8	1
Eureka . . . . .	15	15	16	7				2	4	20		243	19	1
King Philip . . . . .	14	15	14	4	5			2	8	18	1	313	14	
Star in the East . . . . .	6	7	7	8					6	8		373	6	1
Narragansett . . . . .	15	10	9	4				1	2	9		200	9	1
Concordia . . . . .	2	1	1	1					1	2		82	1	1
Noquochoke . . . . .	5	5	5	1						4		64	5	
	64	61	60	26	21			10	26	69	1	1,549	62	5

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

JAMES E. MCCREERY, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomata have been Granted.

PELUS H. S. W. ALLEN,

WILLIAM CROSSLEY,

HENRY T. PHILLIPS,

ALEXANDER C. JAMES,

DWIGHT E. CONE.



TWENTY-SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-instated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
Union . . . . .	5	5	5		1			3	6	5		109	5	
Marine . . . . .	3	3	2					1	3	3		82	2	1
Social Harmony . . . . .	7	6	5	2	2			1	5	5		73	6	
De Witt Clinton . . . . .	1	1	1					2		3	1	57		1
Martha's Vineyard . . . . .	4	4	5						1	7		68	4	1
Pythagorean . . . . .	1	1	1					1	1	1		66		
Oriental . . . . .	6	6	6		2			1	1	6		48	6	
	27	26	25	2	5			7	12	30	1	498	23	9

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest:

JOHN HUXTABLE, *District Deputy Grand Master.*

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

WILLIAM W. NEIFERT,

EUGENE W. HAINES,

LEVI A. HOWES.

TWENTY-EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas.	No. Past Master's Diplomas.
King Hiram . . . .	4	3	3					4	3		161	3	
Adams . . . .		1	1		9		1	4	2		103	1	
Saint Martin's . . . .	4	4	4					4	6		60	4	1
Pilgrim . . . .	3	3	3		2		1	4	5	1	80	3	
Mount Horeb . . . .	2	2	2						2		103		1
Howard . . . .	4	4	3		2			1	3		50	8	
Fraternal . . . .	4	4	3	3				2	4		154	2	
Mariners' . . . .	2	2	2					1	2		60	2	
	23	23	21	3	13		2	16	27	1	771	23	2

A true abstract from the Returns of the above Lodges.

Attest :

OLIVER H. LINNELL, District Deputy Grand Master.

Names of Masters to whom Past Master's Diplomas have been Granted.

JAMES E. CROWELL,

HENRY C. BERRY.

## RECAPITULATION

FROM THE RETURNS OF LODGES COMPOSING THE SEVERAL MASONIC DISTRICTS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL  
 GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS, FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, A. L. 1894.

DISTRICTS.		No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections for Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Dimitted.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Initiated.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodge Diplomas Issued.	No. Past Master's Diplomas Issued.
District No.	1.	122	122	114	7	3	7	7	13	50	125	1	2,018	97	3
"	2.	78	77	79	7	3	7		19	25	89	4	1,504	76	7
"	3.	92	97	101	6	9	6		17	28	106	1	1,992	101	9
"	4.	109	110	114	20	22	1		26	25	136	2	1,709	115	4
"	5.	73	59	56	14	4	2		16	15	67	3	1,128	57	3
"	6.	69	74	79	9	8	8		14	23	92		1,386	73	5
"	7.	133	128	126	27	7	2		23	21	147	1	1,841	128	5
"	8.	84	76	88	22	10	1		12	18	93	3	1,127	65	5
"	9.	48	45	49	8				7	14	50		1,138	44	3
"	10.	44	45	47	11	12			10	18	50	5	1,482	50	4
"	11.	59	56	46	20				11	23	52	1	1,438	46	3
"	12.	34	36	40	12	5			12	6	51		1,179	41	5
"	13.	66	64	68	17	14			13	16	79	4	1,382	61	5
"	14.	20	18	18	5	11			12	6	17	2	423	13	4
"	15.	41	41	39	13	10			5	6	35	1	850	39	4
"	16.	119	115	124	30	32	2		18	17	158	12	2,186	124	4
"	17.	32	35	31	6	15			7	7	36		750	83	2
Carried forward.		1,223	1,198	1,219	227	165	36		235	318	1,383	40	23,533	1,163	75

RECAPITULATION.—*Concluded.*

DISTRICTS.	No. of Initiates.	No. Passed.	No. Raised.	No. of Rejections.	No. of Degrees.	No. Suspended from Membership.	No. Discharged from Membership.	No. Expelled from Masonry.	No. Unlimited.	No. Deceased.	No. Members Admitted.	No. Re-Installed.	Present No. of Members.	No. Grand Lodges.	No. Past Master's Diplomas Issued.
<i>Brought forward.</i>	1,223	1,198	1,219	227	165	36			285	318	1,383	40	23,533	1,163	75
District No. 18.	70	69	70	26	2				11	26	85	1	1,592	71	5
" 19.	32	31	31	6	3	1			9	6	30	2	640	26	4
" 20.	35	37	36	8	1				12	8	37	3	935	33	5
" 21.	42	37	41	10	5	8			10	18	48	2	1,100	42	5
" 22.	40	39	41	9	9	3			8	17	46	2	985	39	5
" 23.	46	39	34	9	11				5	20	37	3	1,057	28	4
" 24.	39	42	45	20	5	1			11	18	54		1,283	45	4
" 25.	19	21	26	4	1	4			6	8	33		757	20	3
" 26.	64	61	60	26	21				10	26	69	1	1,549	62	5
" 27.	27	26	25	2	5				7	12	30	1	498	23	3
" 28.	23	23	21	3	13				2	16	27	1	771	23	2
Meridian Sun (U. D.)	2	2													
Total.	1,661	1,625	1,649	350	241	53			326	493	1,879	56	34,700	1,575	120

## TABLES OF MASONIC DISTRICTS FOR 1895,

GIVING THE NAME OF EACH LODGE, DATE OF PRECEDENCE, LOCATION  
AND THE MONTH OF ANNUAL ELECTION.

### DISTRICT No. I. — BOSTON.

R.W. E. BENTLEY YOUNG, BOSTON, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
SAINT JOHN'S . . .	1733 . .	Boston . . . .	December
LODGE OF SAINT AN-			
DREW . . . . .	1756 . .	Boston . . . .	November
MASSACHUSETTS . .	1770 . .	Boston . . . .	December
COLUMBIAN . . . .	1795 . .	Boston . . . .	December
MOUNT LEBANON . .	1801 . .	Boston . . . .	December
GERMANIA . . . .	1854 . .	Boston . . . .	November
WINSLOW LEWIS . .	1855 . .	Boston . . . .	November
REVERE . . . . .	1856 . .	Boston . . . .	December
JOSEPH WARREN . .	1856 . .	Boston . . . .	December

### DISTRICT No. II. — CAMBRIDGE.

R.W. EUGENE C. UPTON, BOSTON, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
KING SOLOMON'S . .	1783 . .	Charlestown . .	October
AMICABLE . . . . .	1805 . .	Cambridge . . .	December
POTNAM . . . . .	1854 . .	East Cambridge .	November
ABERDOUR . . . . .	1860 . .	Boston . . . . .	November
MOUNT OLIVET . . .	1863 . .	Cambridge . . .	November
LODGE OF ELEUSIS .	1865 . .	Boston . . . . .	December
MIZPAH . . . . .	1867 . .	Cambridge . . .	December
ZETLAND . . . . .	1867 . .	Boston . . . . .	December
JOSEPH WEBB . . . .	1876 . .	Boston . . . . .	November

## DISTRICT No. III.—EAST BOSTON.

R.W. JOSEPH H. GLEASON, SOMERVILLE,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
STAR OF BETHLEHEM . . . .	1843 . .	Chelsea . . . .	November
MOUNT TABOR . . . .	1845 . .	East Boston . . .	November
BAALBEC . . . .	1852 . .	East Boston . . .	November
HENRY PRICE . . . .	1858 . .	Charlestown . . .	October
HAMMATT . . . .	1859 . .	East Boston . . .	October
ROBERT LASH . . . .	1867 . .	Chelsea . . . .	November
FAITH . . . .	1868 . .	Charlestown . . .	December
TEMPLE . . . .	1870 . .	East Boston . . .	December
WINTHROP . . . .	1887 . .	Winthrop . . . .	October

## DISTRICT No. IV.—SOUTH BOSTON.

R.W. JAMES T. SHERMAN, DORCHESTER,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
WASHINGTON . . . .	1796 . .	Roxbury . . . .	November
UNION . . . .	1796 . .	Dorchester . . . .	November
SAINT PAUL'S . . . .	1846 . .	South Boston . . .	December
GATE OF THE TEMPLE . . . .	1855 . .	South Boston . . .	November
LA FAYETTE . . . .	1865 . .	Roxbury . . . .	June
ADELPHI . . . .	1865 . .	South Boston . . .	November
ELIOT . . . .	1866 . .	Jamaica Plain . . .	November
RABRONI . . . .	1869 . .	South Boston . . .	October
PROSPECT . . . .	1890 . .	Roslindale . . . .	November
MACEDONIAN . . . .	1892 . .	Milton . . . .	October

## DISTRICT No. V.—WALTHAM.

R.W. LEWIS M. CRANE, BROOKLINE, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
BETHESDA . . . .	1819 . .	Brighton . . . .	December
MONITOR . . . .	1820 . .	Waltham . . . .	November
PEQUOSSETTE . . . .	1856 . .	Watertown . . . .	December
DALHOUSIE . . . .	1860 . .	Newtonville . . . .	June
BELMONT . . . .	1864 . .	Belmont . . . .	December
ISAAC PARKER . . . .	1867 . .	Waltham . . . .	November
BETH-HORON . . . .	1870 . .	Brookline . . . .	December

## DISTRICT No. VI. — SOMERVILLE.

R.W. QUINCY BICKNELL, JR., LEXINGTON,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
HIRAM . . . . .	1797 . .	Arlington . . .	November
MOUNT HERMON . . .	1854 . .	Medford . . .	December
MOUNT HOREB . . . .	1855 . .	Woburn . . . .	December
JOHN ABBOT . . . . .	1857 . .	Somerville . . .	September
WILLIAM PARKMAN . .	1864 . .	Winchester . . .	December
CHARITY . . . . .	1869 . .	North Cambridge	December
SIMON W. ROBINSON . .	1870 . .	Lexington . . .	November
SOLEY . . . . .	1879 . .	Somerville . . .	September

## DISTRICT No. VII. — LYNN.

R.W. JOSIAH F. KIMBALL, LYNN, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
MOUNT CARMEL . . .	1805 . .	Lynn . . . . .	November
WYOMING . . . . .	1856 . .	Melrose . . . .	September
MOUNT VERNON . . .	1857 . .	Malden . . . .	November
GOLDEN FLEECE . . .	1865 . .	Lynn . . . . .	November
WILLIAM SUTTON . . .	1866 . .	Saugus . . . . .	November
PALESTINE . . . . .	1868 . .	Everett . . . .	November
GOOD SAMARITAN . .	1870 . .	Reading . . . .	December
KING CYRUS . . . . .	1875 . .	Stoneham . . . .	October
CONVERSE . . . . .	1887 . .	Malden . . . .	December
GOLDEN RULE . . . .	1888 . .	Wakefield . . .	December

## DISTRICT No. VIII. — SALEM.

R.W. CHAUNCEY S. RICHARDS, DANVERSPORT,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
PHILANTHROPIC . . .	1760 . .	Marblehead . . .	October
ESSEX . . . . .	1791 . .	Salem . . . . .	October
JORDAN . . . . .	1808 . .	Peabody . . . .	September
LIBERTY . . . . .	1824 . .	Beverly . . . .	October
AMITY . . . . .	1863 . .	Danvers . . . .	November
STARR KING . . . . .	1864 . .	Salem . . . . .	October
ACACIA . . . . .	1865 . .	East Gloucester .	November
MOAIC . . . . .	1870 . .	Danvers . . . .	November

## DISTRICT No. IX.—NEWBURYPORT.

R.W. ISAAC A. S. STEELE, GLOUCESTER, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
SAINT JOHN'S . . . .	1766 . .	Newburyport . .	March
TYRIAN . . . . .	1770 . .	Gloucester . . .	November
SAINT MARK'S . . . .	1803 . .	Newburyport . .	December
WARREN . . . . .	1822 . .	Amesbury . . .	November
ASHLER . . . . .	1851 . .	Rockport . . .	December
JOHN T. HEARD . . . .	1864 . .	Ipswich . . . .	October
CHARLES C. DAME . . .	1867 . .	Georgetown . .	January
BETHANY . . . . .	1868 . .	Merrimac . . .	September

## DISTRICT No. X.—LAWRENCE.

R.W. CHARLES H. LITTLEFIELD, LAWRENCE,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
MERRIMACK . . . . .	1802 . .	Haverhill . . .	November
SAINT MATTHEW'S . . .	1822 . .	Andover . . . .	November
GRECIAN . . . . .	1825 . .	Lawrence . . .	October
JOHN HANCOCK . . . .	1860 . .	Methuen . . . .	September
TUSCAN . . . . .	1862 . .	Lawrence . . .	December
SAGGAHEW . . . . .	1864 . .	Haverhill . . .	December
PHENICIAN . . . . .	1870 . .	Lawrence . . .	December
COCHICHEWICK . . . .	1874 . .	North Andover .	November

## DISTRICT No. XI.—LOWELL.

R.W. FREDERICK W. FARNHAM, LOWELL,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
SAINT PAUL . . . . .	1797 . .	Ayer . . . . .	October
CORINTHIAN . . . . .	1797 . .	Concord . . . .	October
PENTUCKET . . . . .	1807 . .	Lowell . . . . .	October
ANCIENT YORK . . . .	1852 . .	Lowell . . . . .	October
CALEB BUTLER . . . .	1859 . .	Ayer . . . . .	December
KILWINNING . . . . .	1866 . .	Lowell . . . . .	November
WILLIAM NORTH . . . .	1867 . .	Lowell . . . . .	October
THOMAS TALBOT . . . .	1889 . .	Billerica . . . .	October



## DISTRICT No. XII. — FITCHBURG.

R.W. SIDNEY P. SMITH, ATHOL, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
AURORA . . . . .	1801 . .	Fitchburg . . .	September
TRINITY . . . . .	1858 . .	Clinton . . . .	September
WILDER . . . . .	1859 . .	Leominster. . .	September
HOPE . . . . .	1864 . .	Gardner . . . .	October
STAR . . . . .	1864 . .	Athol . . . . .	November
CHARLES W. MOORE .	1865 . .	Fitchburg . . .	September
ARTISAN . . . . .	1865 . .	Winchendon . .	September
ATHOL . . . . .	1872 . .	Athol Centre . .	November

## DISTRICT No. XIII. — GREENFIELD.

R.W. FRANKLIN E. SNOW, GREENFIELD, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
REPUBLICAN . . . .	1795 . .	Greenfield . . .	November
HARMONY . . . . .	1796 . .	Northfield . . .	November
JERUSALEM . . . .	1797 . .	Northampton . .	November
PACIFIC . . . . .	1801 . .	Amherst . . . .	November
MOUNTAIN . . . . .	1806 . .	Shelburne Falls .	October
ORANGE . . . . .	1859 . .	Orange . . . . .	November
MORNING SUN . . .	1869 . .	Conway . . . . .	November
HAMPSHIRE . . . .	1871 . .	Haydenville . .	November
BAY STATE . . . . .	1872 . .	Montague . . . .	October
MECHANICS . . . .	1878 . .	Turner's Falls . .	November

## DISTRICT No. XIV. — NORTH ADAMS.

R.W. ROBERT N. RICHMOND, ADAMS, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
LA FAYETTE . . . .	1847 . .	North Adams . .	December
BERKSHIRE . . . . .	1857 . .	Adams . . . . .	December
UPTON . . . . .	1869 . .	Cheshire . . . .	November
GREYLOCK . . . . .	1871 . .	North Adams . .	November
WILLIAMS . . . . .	1871 . .	Williamstown . .	December

## DISTRICT No. XV. — PITTSFIELD.

R.W. WILLIAM P. WOOD, PITTSFIELD, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
EVENING STAR . . .	1795 . .	Lee . . . . .	September
CINCINNATUS . . .	1795 . .	Great Barrington	December
WISDOM . . . . .	1803 . .	West Stockbridge	December
MYSTIC . . . . .	1810 . .	Pittsfield . . .	October
HUNTINGTON . . .	1866 . .	Huntington . . .	October
GLOBE . . . . .	1869 . .	Hinsdale . . . .	October
OCCIDENTAL . . . .	1870 . .	Stockbridge . . .	December
CRESCENT . . . . .	1873 . .	Pittsfield . . . .	September

## DISTRICT No. XVI. — SPRINGFIELD.

R.W. EDWIN A. BLODGETT, SPRINGFIELD,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
HAMPDEN . . . . .	1817 . .	Springfield . . .	November
CHICOPEE . . . . .	1848 . .	Chicopee . . . .	November
MOUNT TOM . . . .	1850 . .	Holyoke . . . . .	November
MOUNT MORIAH . . .	1856 . .	Westfield . . . .	September
ROSWELL LEE . . . .	1864 . .	Springfield . . .	November
IONIC . . . . .	1867 . .	Easthampton . . .	November
MOUNT HOLYOKE . . .	1869 . .	South Hadley Falls	November
BELCHER . . . . .	1870 . .	Chicopee Falls . .	October
NEWTON . . . . .	1870 . .	Wilbraham . . . .	November
BRIGHAM . . . . .	1891 . .	Ludlow . . . . .	September
SPRINGFIELD . . . .	(U. D.) .	Springfield . . .	—

## DISTRICT No. XVII. — PALMER.

R.W. WILLIAM S. CLARK, GRANBY, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
THOMAS . . . . .	1796 . .	Palmer . . . . .	December
MOUNT ZION . . . .	1800 . .	Barre . . . . .	September
BETHEL . . . . .	1825 . .	Enfield . . . . .	November
QUABOAG . . . . .	1858 . .	Warren . . . . .	November
DAY SPRING . . . .	1862 . .	Monson . . . . .	December
EDEN . . . . .	1863 . .	Ware . . . . .	November
VERNON . . . . .	1869 . .	Belchertown . . .	December

## DISTRICT No. XVIII. — WORCESTER.

R.W. CHARLES A. PEABODY, WORCESTER, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
MORNING STAR . . .	1793 . .	Worcester . . .	November
OLIVE BRANCH . . .	1797 . .	Millbury . . .	October
MONTACUTE . . .	1858 . .	Worcester . . .	November
HAYDEN . . .	1863 . .	Brookfield . . .	November
ATHELSTAN . . .	1865 . .	Worcester . . .	November
QUINSIGAMOND . . .	1870 . .	Worcester . . .	October
SPENCER . . .	1871 . .	Spencer . . .	October
BOYLSTON . . .	1876 . .	West Boylston . .	October
MERIDIAN SUN . . .	1893 . .	North Brookfield .	January

## DISTRICT No. XIX. — SOUTHBRIDGE.

R.W. LOAMMI B. CARR, WHITINSVILLE, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
SOLOMON'S TEMPLE . .	1818 . .	Uxbridge . . .	October
BLACKSTONE RIVER . .	1855 . .	Blackstone . . .	November
WEBSTER . . .	1858 . .	Webster . . .	December
QUINEBAUG . . .	1859 . .	Southbridge . . .	September
OXFORD . . .	1859 . .	Oxford . . .	September
MUMFORD RIVER . .	1877 . .	East Douglas . . .	October
GRANITE . . .	1880 . .	Northbridge . . .	October

## DISTRICT No. XX. — MILFORD.

R.W. CLIFFORD A. COOK, MILFORD, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
MONTGOMERY . . .	1797 . .	Milford . . .	October
FRANKLIN . . .	1851 . .	Grafton . . .	November
JOHN WARREN . . .	1860 . .	Hopkinton . . .	October
NORTH STAR . . .	1864 . .	Ashland . . .	November
MOUNT HOLLIS . . .	1865 . .	Holliston . . .	December
SILAM . . .	1866 . .	Westboro' . . .	October
EXCELSIOR . . .	1866 . .	Franklin . . .	October
CHARLES RIVER . . .	1870 . .	Medway . . .	October

## DISTRICT No. XXI. — FRAMINGHAM.

R.W. GEORGE A. STACY, MARLBORO', D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
MIDDLESEX . . . .	1795 . .	Framingham . .	November
MERIDIAN . . . .	1797 . .	Natick . . . .	October
UNITED BRETHREN . .	1859 . .	Marlboro' . . .	September
DORIC . . . . .	1863 . .	Hudson . . . .	September
SAINT BERNARD'S . .	1867 . .	Southboro' . . .	September
CHARLES A. WELCH . .	1872 . .	Maynard . . . .	October
NORFOLK . . . . .	1874 . .	Needham . . . .	May
ALPHA . . . . .	1875 . .	South Framingham	September

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## DISTRICT No. XXII. — HYDE PARK.

R.W. ALBERT E. BRADLEY, HYDE PARK, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
RISEING STAR . . . .	1799 . .	Stoughton . . .	December
SAINT ALBAN'S . . . .	1818 . .	Foxboro' . . . .	November
ORIENT . . . . .	1861 . .	Norwood . . . .	November
BLUE HILL . . . . .	1863 . .	Canton . . . . .	November
SAINT JAMES . . . .	1864 . .	Mansfield . . . .	December
HYDE PARK . . . . .	1866 . .	Hyde Park . . . .	December
PAUL DEAN . . . . .	1867 . .	North Easton . .	November
CONSTELLATION . . .	1871 . .	Dedham . . . .	November

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## DISTRICT No. XXIII. — TAUNTON.

R.W. SOLON R. WRIGHT, TAUNTON, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
BRISTOL . . . . .	1797 . .	North Attleboro' .	December
KING DAVID . . . . .	1798 . .	Taunton . . . .	November
PIONEER . . . . .	1863 . .	Somerset . . . .	November
MAY FLOWER . . . .	1864 . .	Middleboro' . . .	November
ALFRED BAYLIES . . .	1866 . .	Taunton . . . .	October
IONIC . . . . .	1867 . .	Taunton . . . .	November
EZEKIEL BATES . . . .	1870 . .	Attleboro' . . . .	October
CHARLES H. TITUS . .	1872 . .	Taunton . . . .	October

## DISTRICT No. XXIV.—BROCKTON.

R.W. ERNEST W. CALKINS, N. ABINGTON,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
FELLOWSHIP . . .	1797 . .	Bridgewater . .	November
RURAL . . .	1801 . .	Quincy . . .	November
NORFOLK UNION . .	1819 . .	Randolph . . .	November
PAUL REVERE . . .	1856 . .	Brockton . . .	December
JOHN CUTLER . . .	1859 . .	Abington . . .	September
PURITAN . . .	1869 . .	Whitman . . .	January
SAINT GEORGE . . .	1877 . .	Brockton . . .	December
SATUCKET . . .	1881 . .	East Bridgewater	November

## DISTRICT No. XXV.—HINGHAM.

R.W. AMOS A. LAWRENCE, COHASSET, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
OLD COLONY . . .	1792 . .	Hingham . . .	November
CORNER-STONE . . .	1801 . .	Duxbury . . .	November
ORPHAN'S HOPE . .	1825 . .	Weymouth . . .	November
PLYMOUTH . . .	1825 . .	Plymouth . . .	December
KONOHASSETT . . .	1865 . .	Cohasset . . .	November
DELTA . . .	1868 . .	Weymouth . . .	January
PHOENIX . . .	1873 . .	Hanover . . .	October
SATUIT . . .	1875 . .	Scituate . . .	November

## DISTRICT No. XXVI.—FALL RIVER.

R.W. JAMES E. MCCREERY, FALL RIVER, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
STAR IN THE EAST .	1823 . .	New Bedford . .	December
MOUNT HOPE . . .	1824 . .	Fall River . . .	November
EUREKA . . .	1857 . .	New Bedford . .	December
KING PHILIP . . .	1866 . .	Fall River . . .	November
CONCORDIA . . .	1872 . .	Fairhaven . . .	December
NARRAGANSETT . . .	1875 . .	Fall River . . .	November
NOQUOCHOKE . . .	1878 . .	Westport . . .	November

## DISTRICT No. XXVII.—NANTUCKET.

R.W. GILBERT L. SMITH, VINEYARD HAVEN,  
D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
UNION . . . . .	1771 . .	Nantucket . . .	November
MARINE . . . . .	1798 . .	Falmouth . . .	November
SOCIAL HARMONY . .	1823 . .	Wareham . . .	December
DE WITT CLINTON . .	1855 . .	Sandwich . . .	November
MARTHA'S VINEYARD .	1859 . .	Tisbury . . .	December
PYTHAGOREAN . . .	1861 . .	Marion . . .	November
ORIENTAL . . . . .	1866 . .	Edgartown . . .	December

## DISTRICT No. XXVIII.—PROVINCETOWN.

R.W. EDWARD L. CHASE, HYANNIS, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
KING HIRAM . . . .	1795 . .	Provincetown . .	November
FRATERNAL . . . .	1801 . .	Barnstable . . .	January
MOUNT HOREB . . .	1854 . .	Harwich . . .	December
PILGRIM . . . . .	1859 . .	Harwich . . .	December
ADAMS . . . . .	1865 . .	Wellfleet . . .	January
HOWARD . . . . .	1869 . .	South Yarmouth .	December
MARINERS' . . . .	1870 . .	Cotuit . . .	January
SAINT MARTIN'S . .	1872 . .	Chatham . . .	December

## CHILE DISTRICT.

R.W. PETER EWING, SANTIAGO, D.D.G.M.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
BETHESDA . . . . .	1853 . .	Valparaiso . . .	August
ACONCAGUA . . . .	1869 . .	Valparaiso . . .	August
HUELEN . . . . .	1876 . .	Santiago . . .	August
SAINT JOHN'S . . .	1884 . .	Concepcion . . .	August

## CHINA DISTRICT.

Name of Lodge.	Precedence.	Location.	Election.
ANCIENT LANDMARK .	1864 . .	Shanghai . . .	October

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF LODGES,  
THEIR LOCATIONS, MASTERS, WARDENS, AND  
SECRETARIES FOR 1895.

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**ABERDOUR**, Boston. District No. 2. Chester M. Perry, m.; William P. Willard, s.w.; Henry M. Nourse, j.w.; Samuel Hosea, Jr., s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, November.

**ACACIA**, East Gloucester. District No. 8. Thomas H. G. Douglass, m.; Clarence A. Elwell, s.w.; Herman F. Douglass, j.w.; Albert S. Lyle, s. Monthly meeting, second Friday; election, November.

**ACONCAGUA**, Valparaiso. Chile District. Robert McKinlay, m.; William Campbell, s.w.; Harry S. Brickell, j.w.; Thomas Wright, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Thursday; election, August.

**ADAMS**, Wellfleet. District No. 28. Samuel Kemp, m.; Stephen F. King, s.w.; Freeman A. Snow, j.w.; Oliver H. Linnell, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, January.

**ADELPHI**, South Boston. District No. 4. Ira B. Goodrich, m.; Samuel Meadows, s.w.; Elmir Millett, j.w.; William H. Morse, s. Monthly meeting, third Tuesday; election, November.

**ALFRED BAYLIES**, Taunton. District No. 28. Edwin O. Williams, m.; Gilbert H. Padelford, s.w.; Allen P. Hurd, j.w.; James H. Stoddard, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday after full moon; election, October.

**ALPHA**, South Framingham. District No. 21. Orville W. Collins, m.; George T. Stevens, s.w.; Alfred J. Heath, j.w.; Edgar Potter, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Monday; election, September.

**AMICABLE**, Cambridge. District No. 2. Horace G. Kemp, m.; William H. Ford, s.w.; Clarence M. Howlett, j.w.; Richard W. Sutton, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, December.

**AMITY**, Danvers. District No. 8. Frank C. Damon, m.; Robert D. Sears, s.w.; Wallace P. Hood, j.w.; Dudley A. Massey, s.; Monthly meeting, Friday on or before full moon; election, November.

- ANCIENT LANDMARK, Shanghai.** China District. James Eveleigh, m.; George Howard, s.w.; Warwick Winslow, j.w.; George L. Skinner, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, October.
- ANCIENT YORK, Lowell.** District No. 11. Fred'k T. Walsh, m.; Wallace A. Corey, s.w.; Charles M. Stevens, j.w.; Frank M. Merrill, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, October.
- ARTISAN, Winchendon.** District No. 12. Frank M. Collister, m.; Charles D. Young, s.w.; Marcus A. Young, j.w.; George M. Whitney, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September.
- ASHLER, Rockport.** District No. 9. Thomas T. H. Harwood, m.; Frank E. Foster, s.w.; Charles Tresnon, j.w.; Charles H. Rogers, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- ATHELSTAN, Worcester.** District No. 18. John A. Sears, m.; John T. Wheeler, s.w.; Harry S. Green, j.w.; Fred Knight, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, November.
- ATHOL, Athol.** District No. 12. James F. Whitcomb, m.; Frank L. Hood, s.w.; Ralph H. Haskins, j.w.; Joseph A. Holton, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- AURORA, Fitchburg.** District No. 12. William H. Bennett, m.; Willard W. Jones, s.w.; Walter A. Davis, j.w.; Francis D. Tuttle, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, September.
- BAALBEC, East Boston.** District No. 3. Gilbert M. Stalker, m.; Edward G. Graves, s.w.; Henry W. Smith, j.w.; John Marno, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- BAY STATE, Montague.** District No. 13. Lucius S. Field, m.; John A. Taggart, s.w.; Harry M. Dudley, j.w.; James B. Marsh, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, October.
- BELCHER, Chicopee Falls.** District No. 16. Albert E. Taylor, m.; Woodman S. Page, s.w.; Edward H. Elder, j.w.; Warren H. Hamilton, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, October.
- BELMONT, Belmont.** District No. 5. Edward O. Hatch, m.; Gustavus C. Holt, s.w.; George C. Flett, j.w.; Thos. W. Davis, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, December.
- BERKSHIRE, Adams.** District No. 14. George H. Holden, m.; Herbert E. Harrington, s.w.; David Follett, j.w.; Edwin F. Jenks, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.



**BETHANY, Merrimac.** District No. 9. Alex. Hanna, m.; Bion Green, s.w.; Zenas Lovell, j.w.; William L. Smart, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, September.

**BETHEL, Enfield.** District No. 17. Fred N. Peirce, m.; Lewis D. Sloan, s.w.; Charles W. Felton, j.w.; Charles O. Davis, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, November.

**BETHESDA, Brighton.** District No. 5. Leonard W. Ross, m.; William M. Farrington, s.w.; Frank H. Howe, j.w.; Wm. M. Cotton, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, December.

**BETHESDA, Valparaiso.** Chile District. Samuel McComb, m.; John Fusche, s.w.; David M. Ness, j.w.; Wm. Fogg, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, August.

**BETH-HORON, Brookline.** District No. 5. Clarence A. Delano, m.; Reuben S. Swan, s.w.; D. Edward Beede, j.w.; Francis H. Bacon, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, December.

**BLACKSTONE RIVER, Blackstone.** District No. 19. George W. Maxon, m.; Ralph H. Rickard, s.w.; Riley Daniels, j.w.; Americus Welch, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday before full moon; election, November.

**BLUE HILL, Canton.** District No. 22. Nathaniel W. Dunbar, m.; Robert Bird, s.w.; Charles H. Eager, j.w.; Timothy Owen, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.

**BOLYSTON, West Boylston.** District No. 18. Linus G. Harris, m.; Harry L. Sawyer, s.w.; William E. Storms, j.w.; Harrison E. Morton, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, October.

**BRIGHAM, Ludlow.** District No. 16. George W. Miller, m.; Walter B. Atchinson, s.w.; James Henderson, j.w.; Frank S. King, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, September.

**BRISTOL, North Attleboro'.** District No. 23. Leo A. Heilborn, m.; Charles E. Sandland, s.w.; Henry H. Curtis, j.w.; Joseph E. Pond, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December.

**CALEB BUTLER, Ayer.** District No. 11. George H. Bixby, m.; Reuben L. Fillebrown, s.w.; Frank S. Pierce, j.w.; Elson H. Bigelow, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.

**CHARITY, North Cambridge.** District No. 6. George M. McCallar, m.; Frederick C. Gohring, s.w.; James B. Hilton, j.w.; Thomas T. Ferguson, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.

- CHARLES A. WELCH**, Maynard. District No. 21. *Gustavus V. Bowen*, m.; *Lucius D. Wilson*, s.w.; *Harris A. Clement*, j.w.; *Lucius H. Maynard*, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, October.
- CHARLES C. DAME**, Georgetown. District No. 9. *Wm. A. Butler*, m.; *Alfred A. Howe*, s.w.; *Albert O. Perley*, j.w.; *Edward S. Fickett*, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, January.
- CHARLES H. TITUS**, Taunton. District No. 23. *John E. DeBlois*, m.; *Edwin A. Dary*, s.w.; *Herbert N. Pierce*, j.w.; *Edgar L. Crossman*, s. Monthly meeting, second Friday; election, October.
- CHARLES RIVER**, Medway. District No. 20. *George M. Harding*, m.; *Charles R. Griffin*, s.w.; *Rufus G. Fairbanks*, j.w.; *Clarke P. Harding*, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- CHARLES W. MOORE**, Fitchburg. District No. 12. *Charles W. Bennett*, m.; *Nathan C. Upham*, s.w.; *Henry D. Robbins*, j.w.; *Joseph L. Stratton*, s. Monthly meeting, third Tuesday; election, September.
- CHICOPEE**, Chicopee. District No. 16. *George D. Eldredge*, m.; *Charles H. Prindle*, s.w.; *Elvin E. Mead*, j.w.; *Chas. A. Buckley*, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- CINCEINNATUS**, Great Barrington. District No. 15. *Charles H. Booth*, m.; *Clinton B. Coleman*, s.w.; *John C. Benton*, j.w.; *Isaac R. Prindle*, s. Monthly meeting, Friday on or before full moon; election, December.
- COCHICHEWICK**, North Andover. District No. 10. *George H. Perkins*, m.; *George A. Rea*, s.w.; *Frank A. Warren*, j.w.; *Walsingham R. Mills*, s. Monthly meeting, Friday on or before full moon; election, November.
- COLUMBIAN**, Boston. District No. 1. *John Foster Bush*, m.; *Joseph S. Kendall*, s.w.; *F. Oscar Guild*, j.w.; *Wm. T. R. Marvin*, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, December.
- CONCORDIA**, Fairhaven. District No. 26. *Alexander C. James*, m.; *Arthur D. W. Bryant*, s.w.; *Roderick A. Packard*, j.w.; *Frederic A. Keith*, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.
- CONSTELLATION**, Dedham. District No. 22. *John E. Fisher*, m.; *George A. Phillips*, s.w.; *Charles A. Turner*, j.w.; *Henry D. Humphrey*, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, November.

- CONVERSE, Malden.** District No. 7. Andrew J. Freeman, m.; Edmund S. Wellington, s.w.; William J. Hobbs, j.w.; Charles R. Magee, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.
- CORINTHIAN, Concord.** District No. 11. George H. Hopkins, m.; Charles S. Hart, s.w.; J. Alfred Dakin, j.w.; Thomas H. Drury, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, October.
- CORNER-STONE, Duxbury.** District No. 25. Walter C. Hammond, m.; Wallace Bonney, s.w.; Charles A. Stark, j.w.; Alfred E. Green, s. Monthly meeting, Saturday on or before full moon; election, November.
- CRESCENT, Pittsfield.** District No. 15. Almon H. Harrison, m.; Sears C. Lyon, s.w.; William R. Thomas, j.w.; David L. Evans, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Monday; election, September.
- DALHOUSIE, Newtonville.** District No. 5. George A. Gleason, m.; Winfield S. Slocum, s.w.; Charles A. Kellogg, j.w.; Edward E. Morgan, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, June.
- DAY SPRING, Monson.** District No. 17. Ralph F. Bradway, m.; Charles W. Darling, s.w.; Ralph Clifford, j.w.; Nelson A. Bugbee, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December.
- DELTA, Weymouth.** District No. 25. Howard Poole, m.; Josephus Sampson, s.w.; Elbridge T. Richards, j.w.; Alden Bowditch, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, January.
- DE WITT CLINTON, Sandwich.** District No. 27. Seth A. Hargreaves, m.; William H. Heald, s.w.; Frederic E. Pierce, j.w.; Ambrose E. Pratt, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- DORIC, Hudson.** District No. 21. Stevens A. Holt, m.; Eugene P. Lawrence, s.w.; Fred F. Trull, j.w.; Edward A. Holyoke, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, September.
- EDEN, Ware.** District No. 17. Alfred A. Green, m.; Herbert M. Corey, s.w.; George K. Thornton, j.w.; John H. Schoonmaker, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, second Monday in November.
- ELIOT, Jamaica Plain.** District No. 4. John A. McKim, m.; George B. Ager, s.w.; George R. Alley, j.w.; Frank P. Webster, s. Monthly meeting, third Wednesday; election, November.
- ESSEX, Salem.** District No. 8. Andrew J. Wilson, m.; Thomas G. Pinnock, s.w.; Gardner M. Jones, j.w.; Horace N. Smith, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, October.

- EUREKA**, New Bedford. District No. 26. Henry T. Phillips, m.; William Bliss, s.w.; Clifton H. Cornish, j.w.; Daniel W. Cory, s. Monthly meeting, first Friday; election, December.
- EVENING STAR**, Lee. District No. 15. Jared Bradley, m.; Francis M. Pease, s.w.; Frank J. Barrett, j.w.; Carl Würtzbach, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September.
- EXCELSIOR**, Franklin. District No. 20. Alfred Farrington, m.; Charles Stewart, s.w.; Walter A. Hawkins, j.w.; Albert C. Mason, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, October.
- EZEKIEL BATES**, Attleboro'. District No. 23. William L. Elliot, m.; Ezekiel Blake, s.w.; Orville P. Richardson, j.w.; Benj. P. King, s. Monthly meeting, third Wednesday; election, October.
- FAITH**, Charlestown. District No. 3. Winfield F. Prime, m.; James G. Jones, s.w.; John Mulcahey, j.w.; Joseph W. Linnell, s. Monthly meeting, second Friday; election, first Friday in December.
- FELLOWSHIP**, Bridgewater. District No. 24. John G. Braman, m.; Nat. F. Wilcox, s.w.; Simeon Perkins, j.w.; John Mayo, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, November.
- FRANKLIN**, Grafton. District No. 20. Sumner F. Leonard, m.; John F. Buxton, s.w.; John W. Alexander, j.w.; Benjamin F. Gibson, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.
- FRATERNAL**, Barnstable. District No. 28. Orlando W. Marchant, m.; George B. Lewis, s.w.; Edward C. Hinckley, j.w.; Oliver C. Hoxie, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, January.
- GATE OF THE TEMPLE**, South Boston. District No. 4. Wm. H. Stevenson, m.; Bertram D. Amsden, s.w.; Joseph G. Allen, j.w.; Charles H. Kimball, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Tuesday; election, November.
- GERMANIA**, Boston. District No. 1. Joseph Gahm, m.; John B. Ultsch, s.w.; Leopold Basch, j.w.; Raphael Lasker, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Monday; election, November.
- GLOBE**, Hinsdale. District No. 15. John H. Adams, m.; William H. Woodworth, s.w.; Edward Cheeseman, j.w.; Willis L. Chappell, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, October.
- GOLDEN FLEECE**, Lynn. District No. 7. William E. Hudson, m.; Frank P. Bubier, s.w.; G. Sidney Macfarlane, j.w.; William B. Phillips, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, November.
- GOLDEN RULE**, Wakefield. District No. 7. James Driver, m.; Walter F. Perkins, s.w.; Erastus D. Weston, j.w.; Wm. H. Atwell, Jr., s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, December.

- GOOD SAMARITAN, Reading.** District No. 7. Daniel T. Bickford, m.; Arthur T. Bond, s.w.; Charles A. Loring, j.w.; Walter M. Scott, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, December.
- GRANITE, Northbridge.** District No. 19. Walter W. Dudley, m.; Frank G. Foster, s.w.; Wm. J. Johnston, j.w.; Oscar L. Owen, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- GRECIAN, Lawrence.** District No. 10. Wm. R. Sawyer, m.; Alexander A. Davis, s.w.; Eugene E. Gilman, j.w.; Charles H. Littlefield, s. Monthly meeting, last Friday; election, October.
- GREYLOCK, North Adams.** District No. 14. Joseph Makaut, m.; Cornelius Wyld, s.w.; Dwight White, j.w.; Eugene Franchere, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, November.
- HAMMATT, East Boston.** District No. 3. Geo. Z. Lythgoe, m.; William B. Allen, s.w.; Colin D. Cameron, j.w.; William C. R. Woodside, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Tuesday; election, October.
- HAMPDEN, Springfield.** District No. 16. Charles F. Cooper, m.; Edwin C. Spear, s.w.; Thomas N. Glover, j.w.; Eugene Draper, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- HAMPSHIRE, Haydenville.** District No. 13. William Noble, m.; Clarence D. Loomis, s.w.; George M. Page, j.w.; Wilmot L. Clark, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.
- HARMONY, Northfield.** District No. 13. David May, m.; Edward S. Bardwell, s.w.; Edwin A. Pratt, j.w.; Charles C. Stearns, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- HAYDEN, Brookfield.** District No. 18. William E. Cook, m.; Charles M. Preston, s.w.; John A. Josselyn, j.w.; Chesselden L. Ellis, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- HENRY PRICE, Charlestown.** District No. 3. Walter S. Brewer, m.; William O. Wiley, s.w.; Fred R. Pease, j.w.; Charles S. Robertson, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Wednesday; election, first Wednesday in October.
- HIRAM, Arlington.** District No. 6. Winfield S. Durgin, m.; Charles W. Bunker, s.w.; Ernest Hesseltine, j.w.; Charles H. Prentiss, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, November.

- HOPE, Gardner.** District No. 12. Volney W. Howe, m.; Floris D. Ramsdell, s.w.; Elwin C. Wheeler, j.w.; John D. Edgell, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- HOWARD, South Yarmouth.** District No. 28. Bernard L. Baker, m.; Joseph K. Chase, s.w.; Fred. P. Comins, j.w.; Zenas P. Howes, s. Monthly meeting, first Saturday; election, December.
- HUELEN, Santiago.** Chile District. Henry Styles, m.; Peter Macgregor, s.w.; Alex. Smith, j.w.; Chas. R. Pettit, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, August.
- HUNTINGTON, Huntington.** District No. 15. James H. Dickinson, m.; Jabez Matthews, s.w.; Bridgman E. Bradley, j.w.; Benj. H. Ellis, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- HYDE PARK, Hyde Park.** District No. 22. Joseph K. Knight, m.; Daniel E. Cluff, s.w.; George H. Rausch, j.w.; T. Daniel Tooker, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, December.
- IONIC, Easthampton.** District No. 16. Oren C. Burt, m.; George M. Rich, s.w.; Alonzo S. King, j.w.; Hubbard A. Goodenough, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, November.
- IONIC, Taunton.** District No. 23. Nathaniel J. W. Fish, m.; George F. Chace, s.w.; William F. Palmer, j.w.; Ansel O. Burt, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- ISAAC PARKER, Waltham.** District No. 5. Lavater W. Powers, m.; Frederick W. Derbyshire, s.w.; Harvey S. Hartwell, j.w.; Charles I. Eaton, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, third Tuesday in November.
- JERUSALEM, Northampton.** District No. 13. John F. Lambie, m.; Aubrey B. Munyan, s.w.; Charles E. Crittenden, j.w.; Kirk H. Stone, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday before full moon; election, November.
- JOHN ABBOT, Somerville.** District No. 6. Horace L. Eaton, m.; Frank W. Mead, s.w.; Elmer E. Cousens, j.w.; Thomas Miller, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, September.
- JOHN CUTLER, Abington.** District No. 24. Charles B. Shaw, m.; Charles S. Beal, s.w.; Geo. E. Fairbanks, j.w.; Erastus M. Nash, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, September.

- JOHN HANCOCK**, Methuen. District No. 10. Eugene N. Hall, m.; Everett L. Edmunds, s.w.; Arthur L. Russell, j.w.; Selwin A. Dodge, s. Monthly meeting, last Tuesday; election, September.
- JOHN T. HEARD**, Ipswich. District No. 9. Frank W. Kyes, m.; S. Hale Baker, s.w.; Clark O. Abell, j.w.; George W. Tozer, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- JOHN WARREN**, Hopkinton. District No. 20. Frank E. Safford, m.; George E. Hunter, s.w.; Fred A. Wood, j.w.; Rufus H. Hopkins, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- JORDAN**, Peabody. District No. 8. Nathan Poor, m.; Charles C. Dodge, s.w.; Samuel Watts, j.w.; James Rodie, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, September.
- JOSEPH WARREN**, Boston. District No. 1. Edward L. Baker, m.; Charles F. Day, s.w.; George W. Hooper, j.w.; Albert Babbitt, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Tuesday; election, December.
- JOSEPH WEBB**, Boston. District No. 2. Frank T. Kenah, m.; William H. Kenah, s.w.; Joshua M. Dill, j.w.; Charles C. Littlefield, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, November.
- KILWINNING**, Lowell. District No. 11. Frank K. Stearns, m.; Joseph Miller, s.w.; James F. Savage, j.w.; Willard A. Brown, s. Monthly meeting, Friday on or before full moon; election, November.
- KING CYRUS**, Stoneham. District No. 7. Henry C. Carbee, m.; George W. Hook, s.w.; Calvin S. Douty, j.w.; William F. Walker, s. Monthly meeting, third Tuesday; election, October.
- KING DAVID**, Taunton. District No. 23. Walter T. Soper, m.; Albert E. Robinson, s.w.; Henry P. Smith, j.w.; Alfred B. Hodges, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- KING HIRAM**, Provincetown. District No. 28. William W. Johnson, m.; William H. Young, s.w.; Irving L. Rosenthal, j.w.; Joseph H. Dyer, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, November.
- KING PHILIP**, Fall River. District No. 26. George T. Wilcox, m.; Elmer B. Young, s.w.; George E. Bamford, j.w.; Charles E. Sawyer, s. Monthly meeting, last Tuesday; election, November.
- KING SOLOMON's**, Charlestown. District No. 2. Ernest C. Marshall, m.; Charles H. Tucker, s.w.; Charles O. Shute, j.w.; Frank Vose, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, October.

**KONOHASSETT, Cohasset.** District No. 25. Thomas A. Rich, m.; Harry W. Souther, s.w.; Harry E. Mapes, j.w.; Edward F. Ripley, s. Monthly meeting, Friday on or before full moon; election, November.

**LA FAYETTE, North Adams.** District No. 14. Albert A. Wills, m.; J. Monroe Prentice, s.w.; Sanford H. Plumb, j.w.; Charles S. Peach, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, December.

**LA FAYETTE, Roxbury.** District No. 4. Gardner F. Packard, m.; John A. Williams, s.w.; Waldo W. Merrill, j.w.; James W. Blaisdell, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, June.

**LIBERTY, Beverly.** District No. 8. John W. Carter, m.; Stephen W. Abbott, s.w.; Charles E. Greenough, j.w.; Hervey Lunt, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, October.

**LODGE OF ELEUSIS, Boston.** District No. 2. Walter U. Lewisson, m.; George F. Hall, s.w.; Wilbur H. Lansil, j.w.; Robert W. Light, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, December.

**LODGE OF ST. ANDREW, Boston.** District No. 1. Charles M. Green, m.; Benj. A. Gould, s.w.; Francis C. Welch, j.w.; William F. Davis, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, November.

**MACEDONIAN, Milton.** District No. 4. Edwin D. Wadsworth, m.; Charles F. Hall, s.w.; Dexter E. Wadsworth, j.w.; Walter W. Strangman, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Tuesday; election, second Monday in October.

**MARINE, Falmouth.** District No. 27. Levi A. Howes, m.; Andrew W. Davis, s.w.; Henry C. Googins, j.w.; Thos. J. McLane, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, November.

**MARINERS', Cotuit.** District No. 28. Gustavus C. Nickerson, m.; Benj. F. Crosby, Jr., s.w.; Wm. T. Makepeace, j.w.; Elias W. Burrows, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, January.

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD, Tisbury.** District No. 27. William W. Neifert, m.; William D. Harding, s.w.; John E. Look, j.w.; Alex. W. Smith, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, December.

**MASSACHUSETTS, Boston.** District No. 1. George E. Henry, m.; William H. Lott, s.w.; Charles A. Neill, j.w.; James C. Bates, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, December.



- MAY FLOWER**, Middleboro'. District No. 23. George A. Cox, m.; J. Herbert Cushing, s.w.; Jared F. Alden, j.w.; James M. Coombs, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, second Tuesday in November.
- MECHANICS'**, Turner's Falls. District No. 13. Thos. B. Ross, m.; Enoch G. Best, s.w.; Charles W. Schuler, j.w.; Calvin C. Magoon, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, November.
- MERIDIAN**, Natick. District No. 21. Wilmot W. Mitchell, m.; Marshall L. Perrin, s.w.; James Downs, j.w.; Charles C. Henry, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- MERIDIAN SUN**, North Brookfield. District No. 18. Sumner Holmes, m.; John W. D. Fifield, s.w.; Charles S. Ludden, j.w.; Clarence E. Brown, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, January.
- MERRIMACK**, Haverhill. District No. 10. Lester B. Legro, m.; William W. Roberts, s.w.; Charles H. Grover, j.w.; Daniel C. Hunt, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, November.
- MIDDLESEX**, Framingham. District No. 21. Lauren A. Freeman, m.; Joseph S. Adams, s.w.; John J. Van Valkenburgh, j.w.; Harry N. Winch, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- MIZPAH**, Cambridge. District No. 2. Walworth O. Barbour, m.; Lorrin W. Ferdinand, s.w.; George M. Smith, j.w.; John D. C. Harries, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.
- MONITOR**, Waltham. District No. 5. Jas. N. Greenwood, m.; Clarence Tebbets, s.w.; Arthur P. Smith, j.w.; Alex. Starbuck, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, November.
- MONTACUTE**, Worcester. District No. 18. Frank M. Heath, m.; Robert W. Clifford, s.w.; Forrest E. Barker, j.w.; Harry A. Marvin, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, November.
- MONTGOMERY**, Milford. District No. 20. Herbert S. Eldredge, m.; George L. Maynard, s.w.; Arthur W. Vant, j.w.; Charles E. Whitney, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, October.
- MORNING STAR**, Worcester. District No. 18. Walter A. Williams, m.; Wm. H. Needham, s.w.; Edward J. Ryan, j.w.; Frank M. Lord, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- MORNING SUN**, Conway. District No. 13. Arthur P. Delabarre, m.; Charles L. Cook, s.w.; Charles L. Parsons, j.w.; Richard H. Cook, s. Monthly meeting, Monday nearest the full moon; election, November.

- MOAIC, Danvers.** District No. 8. Wendell P. Patch, m.; Samuel B. Hoar, s.w.; Arthur W. Beckford, j.w.; Geo. H. Perkins, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.
- MOUNTAIN, Shelburne Falls.** District No. 13. Geo. H. Wilkins, m.; Geo. W. Halligan, s.w.; Arthur J. Rowland, j.w.; Willis M. Johnson, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- MOUNT CARMEL, Lynn.** District No. 7. Walter M. Lamkin, m.; Benj. F. Arrington, s.w.; Josiah P. Croscup, j.w.; Charles E. Chase, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, November.
- MOUNT HERMON, Medford.** District No. 6. Walter L. Hall, m.; William P. Martin, s.w.; Edward W. Mitchell, j.w.; Parker R. Litchfield, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, December.
- MOUNT HOLLIS, Holliston.** District No. 20. Jarvis B. Woolford, m.; Josiah B. Parkin, s.w.; Watson P. Gage, j.w.; Cyrus E. Bemis, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- MOUNT HOLYOKE, South Hadley Falls.** District No. 16. Will W. Gaylord, m.; Albert G. Hahn, s.w.; Frank B. Herrick, j.w.; Thomas Van Riper, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.
- MOUNT HOPE, Fall River.** District No. 26. William Crossley, m.; Samuel Smith, s.w.; Newton Healey, j.w.; James E. Winward, s. Monthly meeting, first Friday; election, November.
- MOUNT HOREB, Harwich.** District No. 28. Henry C. Berry, m.; Sullivan W. Rogers, s.w.; Charles E. Hall, j.w.; Charles H. Kelley, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, December.
- MOUNT HOREB, Woburn.** District No. 6. William H. Bowers, m.; Charles M. Howe, s.w.; Herbert B. Dow, j.w.; John Duncan, Jr., s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, December.
- MOUNT LEBANON, Boston.** District No. 1. William B. Phipps, m.; George Stedman, s.w.; Harry D. Delano, j.w.; Warren B. Ellis, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.
- MOUNT MORIAH, Westfield.** District No. 16. William H. Farnsworth, m.; Ernest Crowson, s.w.; William L. Bartlett, j.w.; Wilbur F. Harding, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, September.
- MOUNT OLIVET, Cambridge.** District No. 2. John S. Patton, m.; Warren P. Dudley, s.w.; Albert F. Fish, j.w.; James L. Buffum, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, November.

- MOUNT TABOR, East Boston.** District No. 3. Charles R. Morse, m.; William H. Leach, s.w.; Fred W. Fraser, j.w.; J. Hiram S. Pearson, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, November.
- MOUNT TOM, Holyoke.** District No. 16. Eli W. Beach, m.; Ormsbee T. Farnham, s.w.; Frederick N. Ricker, j.w.; John E. Bronson, s. Monthly meeting, first Friday; election, November.
- MOUNT VERNON, Malden.** District No. 7. Winslow B. Southworth, m.; William D. Serrat, s.w.; Walter F. Medding, j.w.; Charles J. Edmands, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday, election, November.
- MOUNT ZION, Barre.** District No. 17. George Desper, m.; John L. Smith, s.w.; James H. Gafney, j.w.; William R. Spooner, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, September.
- MUMFORD RIVER, East Douglas.** District No. 19. R. Lester Hannant, m.; Henry A. B. Peckham, s.w.; William E. Correll, j.w.; Chas. J. Batcheller, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, October.
- MYSTIC, Pittsfield.** District No. 15. Herbert S. Wollison, m.; William R. Gardener, s.w.; Allen H. Bagg, j.w.; James Kittle, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, October.
- NARRAGANSETT, Fall River.** District No. 26. Arthur C. Wyatt, m.; Charles E. Baker, s.w.; Benjamin A. Skiff, j.w.; William H. Armstrong, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, November.
- NEWTON, Wilbraham.** District No. 16. Charles E. Fletcher, m.; Charles C. Beebe, s.w.; Alva N. Fisher, j.w.; William Henry Day, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, November.
- NOQUOCHOK, Westport.** District No. 26. Henry T. Allen, m.; Joseph C. Allen, s.w.; Nahum F. Nickelson, j.w.; Humphrey R. Russell, s. Monthly meeting, Saturday on or before full moon; election, November.
- NORFOLK, Needham.** District No. 21. William C. Freeman, m.; Norman C. Munson, s.w.; Frederick D. Sutton, j.w.; Edgar H. Bowers, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, May.
- NORFOLK UNION, Randolph.** District No. 24. Asa P. French, m.; Frank C. Granger, s.w.; Herbert F. French, j.w.; John H. Field, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- NORTH STAR, Ashland.** District No. 20. Charles F. Whithed, m.; Willie B. Pike, s.w.; Estes R. Carpenter, j.w.; Ezra Morse, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, November.

- OCCIDENTAL**, Stockbridge. District No. 15. William C. Fields, m.; Frank M. Griffen, s.w.; Wm. J. Lee, j.w.; Miles E. Dunbar, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, December.
- OLD COLONY**, Hingham. District No. 25. Geo. S. Marsh, m.; Walter B. Foster, s.w.; Andrew McNeil, j.w.; William H. Thomas, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, second Monday in November.
- OLIVE BRANCH**, Millbury. District No. 18. Jacob R. Lincoln, m.; Lyman S. Waters, s.w.; Charlie C. Longley, j.w.; Rufus R. Crane, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, October.
- ORANGE**, Orange. District No. 13. Charles A. Towne, m.; Fred N. Johnson, s.w.; Herbert J. Powers, j.w.; George A. Drake, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, November.
- ORIENT**, Norwood. District No. 22. Francis E. Everett, m.; William E. Freese, s.w.; Elmer E. Clapp, j.w.; Edgar L. Bigelow, s. Monthly meeting, Monday nearest full moon; election, November.
- ORIENTAL**, Edgartown. District No. 27. Jason L. Dexter, m.; Richard G. Shute, s.w.; Francis P. Vincent, j.w.; Enoch C. Cornell, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- ORPHAN'S HOPE**, Weymouth. District No. 25. William T. Rice, m.; John M. Whitcomb, s. w.; William O. Collyer, j.w.; Thomas J. Evans, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- OXFORD**, Oxford. District No. 19. Charles H. Hawes, m.; Chauncey W. Pike, s.w.; Edward A. Wheelock, j.w.; Henry A. Moffitt, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, September.
- PACIFIC**, Amherst. District No. 13. Walter M. Dickinson, m.; James R. Anderson, s.w.; Charles S. Gaskell, j.w.; Frank C. Sherwin, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday next preceding full moon; election, November.
- PALESTINE**, Everett. District No. 7. Henry A. Knight, m.; Charles Bruce, s.w.; Edward B. Noyes, j.w.; James A. Wallace, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, November.
- PAUL DEAN**, North Easton. District No. 22. Louis C. Southard, m.; George C. Belcher, s.w.; William Robinson, j.w.; Otis E. Spooner, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.
- PAUL REVERE**, Brockton. District No. 24. Wm. H. Emerson, m.; Calvin R. Barrett, s.w.; Bernard B. Winslow, j.w.; Frederick R. French, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, December.

**PENTUCKET, Lowell.** District No. 11. Avery B. Clark, m.; Chas. S. Proctor, s.w.; Frank W. Hall, j.w.; Lucius A. Derby, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, October.

**PEQUOSSETTE, Watertown.** District No. 5. Charles F. Bustin, m.; John M. Johnson, s.w.; George S. Parker, j.w.; George F. Robinson, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, December.

**PHILANTHROPIC, Marblehead.** District No. 8. Benjamin Cole, Jr., m.; P. Howard Shirley, s.w.; Gardner R. Hathaway, j.w.; Stephen P. Hathaway, s. Monthly meeting, third Tuesday; election, October.

**PHŒNICIAN, Lawrence.** District No. 10. Frederick A. Carr, m.; Edgar S. Rideout, s.w.; Dana W. Scott, j.w.; George H. Merrick, s. Monthly meeting, third Wednesday; election, December.

**PHŒNIX, Hanover.** District No. 25. John G. Fisher, m.; William A. Josselyn, s.w.; William F. Bates, j.w.; R. Willard Crane, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday nearest every full moon; election, October.

**PILGRIM, Harwich.** District No. 28. Harry H. Murphy, m.; Ambrose N. Doane, s.w.; Nathan Walker, j.w.; John E. Hamer, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December.

**PIONEER, Somerset.** District No. 23. William H. Tallman, m.; William L. Bowen, s.w.; William S. Wilson, j.w.; Thomas H. Deane, s. Monthly meeting, Monday before full moon; election, November.

**PLYMOUTH, Plymouth.** District No. 25. Alfred S. Burbank, m.; Martin J. Hunting, s.w.; Henry L. Stegmaier, j.w.; John B. Washburn, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, December.

**PROSPECT, Roslindale.** District No. 4. Wm. H. Bowdlear, m.; Daniel Dewar, s.w.; John W. Bosworth, j.w.; Herbert A. Mayo, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, November.

**PURITAN, Whitman.** District No. 24. Joseph D. Benson, m.; E. Alden Dyer, s.w.; George L. Paine, j.w.; George H. Pearson, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, first Wednesday in January.

**PUTNAM, East Cambridge.** District No. 2. Edw. B. Dale, m.; Wm. R. Blackman, s.w.; Frank H. Willard, j.w.; J. Edwin Price, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, November.

**PYTHAGOREAN, Marion.** District No. 27. Henry C. Dreyer, m.; Charles H. Gurney, s.w.; John W. Delano, j.w.; Albert C. Vose, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, November.

**QUABOAG, Warren.** District No. 17. Austin V. Dow, m.; Warren D. Hosley, s.w.; Royce C. Strickland, j.w.; William S. Tisdale, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.

**QUINEBAUG, Southbridge.** District No. 19. George C. Winter, m.; George W. Corey, s.w.; Lyman E. Sibley, j.w.; Ernest I. Knowles, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, September.

**QUINSIGAMOND, Worcester.** District No. 18. Brigham M. Scott, m.; Benjamin A. Barber, s.w.; Warren H. Willard, j.w.; John P. Grover, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Friday; election, October.

**RABBONI, South Boston.** District No. 4. George A. Crawford, m.; Frederic R. Charnock, s.w.; Arthur Y. Mitchell, j.w.; Richard T. Williams, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, October.

**REPUBLICAN, Greenfield.** District No. 13. Charles A. Wheeler, m.; Edwin R. Fiske, s.w.; William B. Allen, j.w.; John D. Bouker, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, November.

**REVERE, Boston.** District No. 1. George E. Reed, m.; Charles H. Ramsay, s.w.; Robert W. Neff, j.w.; Wm. C. Pope, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, December.

**RISING STAR, Stoughton.** District No. 22. Frank M. Packard, m.; Christopher Farrell, s.w.; H. Augustus Monk, j.w.; Leonard A. Thayer, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, December.

**ROBERT LASH, Chelsea.** District No. 3. Ralph W. E. Hopper, m.; William B. Walker, s.w.; Wm. H. L. Odell, j.w.; Otis Merriam, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Wednesday; election, November.

**ROSWELL LEE, Springfield.** District No. 16. Albert D. Otto, m.; Samuel D. Sherwood, s.w.; Willard F. Tripp, j.w.; A. Frederick M. Lander, s. Monthly meeting, first Saturday; election, November.

**RURAL, Quincy.** District No. 24. Charles W. Hollis, m.; Joseph L. Whiton, s.w.; Henry L. Kincaide, j.w.; Walter E. Simmons, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, November.

- SAGGAHEW, Haverhill.** District No. 10. Charles P. Sumner, m.; Henry L. Greenlay, s.w.; Joseph A. Dalrymple, j.w.; Fred C. Fitts, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, December.
- ST. ALBAN's, Foxboro'.** District No. 22. Irving W. Lane, m.; Fred G. Mears, s.w.; Fred S. Lane, j.w.; Willard W. Turner, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, November.
- SAINT BERNARD's, Southboro'.** District No. 21. Charles W. Frail, m.; Samuel F. Draper, s.w.; Frank L. Cobb, j.w.; James W. Cantello, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, September.
- SAINT GEORGE, Brockton.** District No. 24. Merton E. Holmes, m.; Chas. B. Lawrence, s.w.; Myron L. Keith, j.w.; Alfred W. Lawson, s. Monthly meeting, first Wednesday; election, December.
- SAINT JAMES, Mansfield.** District No. 22. De Witt B. Hodges, m.; Frank W. Barnard, s.w.; Frank M. Cobb, j.w.; William S. P. Spooner, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December.
- SAINT JOHN's, Boston.** District No. 1. James T. Wetherald, m.; William A. Carrie, s.w.; Edmund H. Talbot, j.w.; James W. Allen, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- SAINT JOHN's, Concepcion.** Chile District. Wm. C. Allen, m.; Philip McKey, s.w.; Wm. H. Nugent, Jr., j.w.; James Dean, s. Monthly meeting, first Saturday; election, August.
- SAINT JOHN's, Newburyport.** District No. 9. Charles M. Stacy, m.; J. Willard Ballou, s.w.; Horace I. Bartlett, j.w.; Samuel Brookings, Jr., s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, March.
- SAINT MARK's, Newburyport.** District No. 9. Alvah Hoyt, m.; Thomas T. Upton, s.w.; Timothy Y. Cotton, j.w.; Chas. S. Lovejoy, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, December.
- SAINT MARTIN's, Chatham.** District No. 28. James A. Crowell, m.; John J. Howes, s.w.; Erastus T. Bearse, j.w.; Rufus K. Nickerson, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- SAINT MATTHEW's, Andover.** District No. 10. James Anderson, m.; Walter H. Colman, s.w.; John N. Cole, j.w.; Charles E. Abbott, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, November.
- SAINT PAUL, Ayer.** District No. 11. Albert J. Atwood, m.; Horace W. Eldredge, s.w.; Henry B. Hildreth, j.w.; E. Dana Bancroft, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, October.

**SAINT PAUL's**, South Boston. District No. 4. Alpheus Hill, m.; Horace M. Bickford, s.w.; Frederick D. Pierce, j.w.; Harrison B. Payne, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, December.

**SATUCKET**, East Bridgewater. District No. 24. Frank L. Erskine, m.; Charles F. Mann, s.w.; Charles Cole, j.w.; Herbert T. Packard, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, second Tuesday in November.

**SATUIT**, Scituate. District No. 25. John Whalen, m.; Arthur R. Tirrell, s.w.; William H. Sampson, j.w.; Nehemiah T. Merritt, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November.

**SILOAM**, Westboro'. District No. 20. Forrest R. Kingsbury, m.; Thomas J. Hastie, s.w.; Geo. G. Genthner, j.w.; Frank W. Bullard, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, October.

**SIMON W. ROBINSON**, Lexington. District No. 6. George W. Sampson, m.; Charles W. Swan, s.w.; Frank H. Locke, j.w.; George H. Cutter, s. Monthly meeting, second Monday; election, November.

**SOCIAL HARMONY**, Wareham. District No. 27. Benjamin Waters, m.; Leslie H. Hall, s.w.; John T. Peirce, j.w.; Edward A. Gammons, s. Monthly meeting, second Friday; election, December.

**SOLEY**, Somerville. District No. 6. J. Walter Sanborn, m.; William H. Woodberry, s.w.; Albion H. Libbey, j.w.; Elisha G. Woodward, s. Monthly meeting, third Monday; election, September.

**SOLOMON'S TEMPLE**, Uxbridge. District No. 19. Waldo E. Rawson, m.; James H. L. Keegan, s.w.; James Preston, j.w.; Leander H. Balcome, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, October.

**SPENCER**, Spencer. District No. 18. Edwin S. Tirrell, Jr., m.; James E. Hemenway, s.w.; Frank S. Eaton, j.w.; George S. Green, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, October.

**SPRINGFIELD**, Springfield. (U. D.) Monthly meeting.

**STAR**, Athol. District No. 12. Frank M. Foss, m.; Henrie C. Fay, s.w.; Arthur E. Albee, j.w.; John L. King, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, November.

**STAR IN THE EAST**, New Bedford. District No. 26. Peleg H. S. W. Allen, m.; John L. G. Mason, s.w.; Henry N. West, j.w.; Charles H. Vinal, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.



- STAR OF BETHLEHEM**, Chelsea. District No. 3. Thomas H. Mayo, m.; Charles J. Foye, s.w.; Charles B. Burleigh, j.w.; Lyman M. Miller, s. Monthly meeting, third Wednesday; election, November.
- STARRE KING**, Salem. District No. 8. Robert L. Almy, m.; George B. Farrington, s.w.; Henry W. Edwards, j.w.; Henry P. Arvedson, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, October.
- TEMPLE**, East Boston. District No. 3. Wm. P. Treet, m.; Joshua A. Story, s.w.; George H. Libby, j.w.; J. Herbert Simpson, s. Monthly meeting, first Thursday; election, December.
- THOMAS**, Palmer. District No. 17. Charles T. Brainard, m.; Geo. H. Wilkins, s.w.; Frank N. Carpenter, j.w.; Harry W. McGregor, s. Monthly meeting, Monday on or before full moon; election, first Monday in December.
- THOMAS TALBOT**, Billerica. District No. 11. Matthew H. Kohlrausch, m.; Arthur W. Holden, s.w.; David J. Macdonald, j.w.; William Stevenson, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- TRINITY**, Clinton. District No. 12. George B. Dinsmore, m.; Samuel C. Damon, s.w.; Gerdon A. Brown, j.w.; Charles A. Bartlett, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, September.
- TUSCAN**, Lawrence. District No. 10. Thomas W. Eastham, m.; Thomas E. Andrew, s.w.; Thomas Lund, j.w.; John L. Seaver, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- TYRIAN**, Gloucester. District No. 9. Wm. Emerson Parsons, m.; Wm. H. Rider, s.w.; Chas. H. M. Hazel, j.w.; Winslow L. Webber, s. Monthly meeting, first Tuesday; election, November.
- UNION**, Dorchester. District No. 4. Caleb D. Dunham, m.; Harry G. Howe, s.w.; Frederick L. Walker, j.w.; Charles A. Ruggles, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, November.
- UNION**, Nantucket. District No. 27. Albert G. Brock, m.; Rollin M. Allen, s.w.; Ellenwood B. Coleman, j.w.; Henry Paddack, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, November.
- UNITED BROTHERS**, Marlboro'. District No. 21. Geo. B. Copeland, m.; Geo. R. Hall, s.w.; Charles H. Stevens, j.w.; Charles S. Thomson, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, September.
- UPTON**, Cheshire. District No. 14. Edgar W. Chase, m.; Earl Ingalls, s.w.; Frank S. Reynolds, j.w.; Franck A. Martin, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, November.

- VERNON**, Belchertown. District No. 17. William H. Bridgman, m.; Dwight C. Nutting, s.w.; Henry A. Paine, j.w.; John W. Jackson, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December.
- WARREN**, Amesbury. District No. 9. Elmer E. Sanborn, m.; Otto Kranz, s.w.; Porter Sargent, j.w.; Cyrus W. Rowell, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, November.
- WASHINGTON**, Roxbury. District No. 4. Herbert F. Morse, m.; Silas W. Brackett, s.w.; Geo. A. Brackett, j.w.; John W. Call, s. Monthly meeting, second Thursday; election, November.
- WEBSTER**, Webster. District No. 19. George A. Blackman, m.; Isaac Regan, s.w.; Edward Forbes, j.w.; John M. Crawford, s. Monthly meeting, first Monday; election, December.
- WILDER**, Leominster. District No. 12. Francis W. Tenney, m.; William A. Putnam, s.w.; George G. Lawrence, j.w.; Samuel Whittier, s. Monthly meeting, Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September.
- WILLIAM NORTH**, Lowell. District No. 11. Arthur S. Cutler, m.; Wallace V. Adams, s.w.; J. Munn Andrews, j.w.; Theodore Adams, s. Monthly meeting, Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October.
- WILLIAM PARKMAN**, Winchester. District No. 6. Charles A. Lane, m.; William M. Belcher, s.w.; Henry G. Young, j.w.; Thomas S. Spurr, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, December.
- WILLIAMS**, Williamstown. District No. 14. Prescott W. Eaton, m.; Joseph H. Walder, s.w.; Lorenzo Davis, j.w.; Allen E. Evens, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, first Wednesday in December.
- WILLIAM SUTTON**, Saugus. District No. 7. Wm. E. Houghton, m.; George B. Litchfield, s.w.; Horace H. Atherton, j.w.; Benjamin F. Calley, s. Monthly meeting, third Thursday; election, November.
- WINSLOW LEWIS**, Boston. District No. 1. William G. Shillaber, m.; Abraham Byfield, s.w.; George H. Graves, j.w.; Percy E. Walbridge, s. Monthly meeting, second Friday; election, November.
- WINTHROP**, Winthrop. District No. 3. Sidney H. Griffin, m.; George F. Payne, s.w.; Edward B. Newton, j.w.; Lewis A. Wallon, s. Monthly meeting, second Tuesday; election, October.

**WISDOM, West Stockbridge.** District No. 15. Clayton A. Bissell, m.; George E. Bissett, s.w.; Arthur E. Lyman, j.w.; Olney J. Carpenter, s. Monthly meeting, Thursday on or before full moon; election, December.

**WYOMING, Melrose.** District No. 7. Oscar F. Frost, m.; Frank E. Orcutt, s.w.; George E. Fenn, j.w.; George C. Stantial, s. Monthly meeting, fourth Wednesday; election, September.

**ZETLAND, Boston.** District No. 2. Horace A. Wallingford, m.; James W. Hinckley, s.w.; William M. Smith, j.w.; Arthur P. French, s. Monthly meeting, second Wednesday; election, December.

**PAST OFFICERS**  
**AND**  
**PERMANENT MEMBERS**  
**OF THE**  
**GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS,**  
**SINCE ITS INDEPENDENCE, MARCH 8, 1777.**

*Note.* — Before 1892 the year given denoted the time of installation, which, with very few exceptions, was on or near St. John's Day, December 27. The year of actual official service is now named.

**PAST GRAND MASTERS.**

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| *Joseph Webb, 1777-83, 1784-86.                                       | *Augustus Peabody, 1843-45.  |
| *John Warren, 1783, 84, 87.   | *Simon W. Robinson, 1846-48.   |
| *Moses M. Hays, 1788-92.  | *Edward A. Raymond, 1849-51.   |
| *John Cutler, 1792-94.  | *Rt. Rev. G. M. Randall, D.D.,<br>1852-54.   |
| *Paul Revere, 1795-97.  | *Winslow Lewis, 1855, 56, 60.  |
| *Josiah Bartlett, 1798, 99, 1810.                                     | *John T. Heard, 1857-59.   |
| *Samuel Dunn, 1800-1802.  | *William D. Coolidge, 1861, 62.  |
| *Isaiah Thomas, 1803-1805, 1809.                                      | *William Parkman, 1863-65.<br>Charles C. Dame, 1866-68.  |
| *Timothy Bigelow, 1806-8, 1811-1813.                                  | *William S. Gardner, 1869-71.<br>Seren D. Nickerson, 1872-74.<br>Percival L. Everett, 1875-77.<br>Charles A. Welch, 1878-80.<br>Samuel C. Lawrence, 1881-83. |
| *Benjamin Russell, 1814-16.   | *Abraham H. Howland, Jr.,<br>1884-86.<br>Henry Endicott, 1887-89.<br>Samuel Wells, 1890-92.  |
| *Francis J. Oliver, 1817-19.  | *Richard Briggs, 1893.<br>Otis E. Weld, 1894.  |
| *Samuel P. P. Fay, 1820.  |  |
| *John Dixwell, 1821-23.   |  |
| *John Abbot, 1824-26, 34.   |  |
| *John Soley, 1827-29.   |  |
| *Joseph Jenkins, 1830-32.   |  |
| *Elijah Crane, 1833.  |  |
| *Joshua B. Flint, 1835-37.  |  |
| *Rev. Paul Dean, 1838-40.   |  |
| *Caleb Butler, 1841, 42.  |  |
| *Charles W. Moore, elected Honorary Past Grand Master, Dec. 10, 1873. |  |

**PAST DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.**

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| *Moses Deshon, 1777-79.   | *Paul Revere, 1784-85, 91, 92. |
| *Samuel Barrett, 1780-83. | *John Lowell, 1786-88, 93.     |

- \*Perez Morton, 1789, 90.
- \*Josiah Bartlett, 1794.
- \*William Scollay, 1795, 96.
- \*Samuel Dunn, 1797-99.
- \*Joseph Laughton, 1799-1802.
- \*Simon Elliot, 1803-1808.
- \*John Boyle, 1809, 1810.
- \*Samuel Bradford, 1811.
- \*Rev. Thad. M. Harris, D.D., 1812.
- \*Francis J. Oliver, 1813-16.
- \*John Dixwell, 1817, 18.
- \*Samuel P. P. Fay, 1819.
- \*Rev. Asa Eaton, 1820.
- \*John Abbot, 1821-23.
- \*Caleb Butler, 1824-26.
- \*John Bartlett, 1827-29.
- \*Elijah Morse, 1830.
- \*William Hilliard, 1831.
- \*David Wilder, 1832.
- \*Abraham A. Dame, 1833, 34.
- \*Rev. Paul Dean, 1835-37.
- \*George G. Smith, 1838-40.
- \*Simon W. Robinson, 1841-43.
- \*John B. Hammatt, 1844.
- \*Rev. E. M. P. Wells, 1845.
- \*Winslow Lewis, Jr., 1846, 47.
- \*Ferdinand E. White, 1848.
- \*Rt. Rev. G. M. Randall, D.D., 1849-51.
- Rev. Lucius R. Paige, D.D., 1852-54.
- \*Abraham T. Lowe, 1855, 56.
- †Rev. William Flint, 1857-59.
- \*Charles R. Train, 1859 (June).
- \*Jerome V. C. Smith, 1860.
- \*G. Washington Warren, 1861.
- \*Marshall P. Wilder, 1862.
- Charles C. Dame, 1863-65.
- Serenio D. Nickerson, 1866.
- \*Newell A. Thompson, 1867.
- \*Charles W. Moore, 1868.
- Chas. Levi Woodbury, 1869-71.
- Percival L. Everett, 1872-74.
- Charles A. Welch, 1875-77.
- \*Abraham H. Howland, Jr., 1878-80.
- Edwin Wright, 1881-83.
- Frederick D. Ely, 1884, 85.
- \*George P. Sanger, 1886.
- Richard M. Field, 1887.
- Samuel Wells, 1888, 89.
- Benj. A. Gould, 1890, 91.
- Frank T. Dwinell, 1892.
- Harvey N. Shepard, 1893.
- Edwin B. Holmes, 1894.

#### PAST SENIOR GRAND WARDENS.

- \*Samuel Barrett, 1777-79.
- \*Paul Revere, 1780-83.
- \*Perez Morton, 1784, 85.
- \*John Juteau, 1786, 90.
- \*Josiah Bartlett, 1787, 89, 92, 93.
- \*Timothy Whiting, 1788.
- \*Thomas Edwards, 1791.
- \*Mungo Mackay, 1794.
- \*Isaiah Thomas, 1795-97.
- \*Joseph Laughton, 1798, 99.
- \*John Boyle, 1800-1802.
- \*Isaac Hurd, 1803.
- \*Timothy Bigelow, 1804, 1805.
- \*John Soley, 1806, 1807.
- \*Shubael Bell, 1808.
- \*Henry Fowle, 1809.
- \*Francis J. Oliver, 1810-12.
- \*Benjamin Russell, 1813.
- \*John Abbot, 1814.
- \*John B. Hammatt, 1815, 16.

- \*Augustus Peabody, 1817.
- \*Caleb Butler, 1818, 19.
- †Andrew Sigourney, 1820.
- \*Thomas Cole, 1821, 22.
- \*Elijah Crane, 1823.
- \*Samuel Thaxter, 1824-26.
- \*John Keyes, 1827, 28.
- \*Seth Sprague, Jr., 1829.
- \*Abraham A. Dame, 1830-32.
- \*William J. Whipple, 1833.
- \*Elias Haskell, 1834-36.
- \*Benjamin B. Appleton, 1837.
- \*Simon W. Robinson, 1838-40.
- \*Thomas Tolman, 1841-43.
- \*Robert Lash, 1844.
- \*Robert Keith, 1845.
- \*Edward A. Raymond, 1846-48.
- \*John J. Loring, 1849.
- \*Thomas M. Vinson, 1850, 51.
- \*William Ferson, 1852.
- \*Daniel Harwood, 1853.
- \*Richard S. Spofford, 1854.
- \*William C. Plunkett, 1855.
- \*John T. Heard, 1856.
- \*Bradford L. Wales, M.D., 1857.
- Henry Goddard, 1858.
- Lorenzo H. Gamwell, 1859.
- \*Joel Spalding, M.D., 1860.
- \*William North, 1861.
- \*Henry Chickering, 1862.
- †William C. Martin, 1863.
- \*William W. Baker, 1863 (June).
- \*William S. Gardner, 1864.
- \*Wendell T. Davis, 1865.
- \*William Sutton, 1866.
- \*Samuel P. Oliver, 1867.
- \*William F. Salmon, 1868.
- \*Ithamar F. Conkey, 1869.
- Samuel C. Lawrence, 1870.
- David W. Crafts, 1871.
- \*Charles Kimball, 1872.
- Henry Endicott, 1873.
- William T. Grammer, 1874.
- \*William J. Sawin, 1875.
- \*Abraham H. Howland, Jr., 1876.
- Daniel W. Lawrence, 1877.
- William H. Chessman, 1878.
- Solon W. Stevens, 1879.
- \*Charles W. Moody, 1880.
- \*F. Lyman Winship, 1881.
- William Babson, 1882.
- Charles M. Avery, 1883.
- \*Russell Matthews, 1884.
- Charles H. McClellan, 1885.
- William T. R. Marvin, 1886.
- Baalis Sanford, 1887.
- James M. Gleason, 1888.
- Andrew C. Stone, 1889.
- Charles H. Norris, 1890.
- Hiram O. Smith, 1891.
- Charles I. Litchfield, 1892.
- James Taylor, 1893.
- George W. Bishop, 1894.

#### PAST JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS.

- \*Paul Revere, 1777-79.
- \*Thomas Crafts, 1780.
- \*James Jackson, 1781.
- \*Edward Proctor, 1782.
- \*James Carter, 1783.
- \*John Juteau, 1784, 85.
- \*Moses M. Hays, 1786.
- \*Thomas Edwards, 1787, 88.
- \*Elisha Porter, 1789.
- \*Aaron Dexter, 1790-92.
- \*Mungo Mackay, 1793.
- \*Samuel Parkman, 1794.

- \*Richard Salter, 1795.
- \*Joseph Laughton, 1796, 97.
- \*William Little, 1798.
- \*John Boyle, 1799.
- \*Rev. Thad. M. Harris, D.D., 1800.
- \*Isaac Hurd, 1801, 1802.
- \*Timothy Bigelow, 1803.
- \*John Soley, 1804, 1805.
- \*Shubael Bell, 1806, 1807.
- \*Henry Fowle, 1808.
- \*Francis J. Oliver, 1809.
- \*Oliver Prescott, 1810.
- \*Benjamin Russell, 1811, 12.
- \*John Abbot, 1813.
- \*John B. Hammatt, 1814.
- \*Joseph Baker, 1815, 16.
- \*Ralph H. French, 1817.
- \*James C. King, 1818.
- \*Joseph Jenkins, 1819.
- \*Thomas Cole, 1820.
- \*Elijah Crane, 1821, 22.
- \*Samuel Thaxter, 1823.
- \*John Keyes, 1824-26.
- \*John Mills, 1827.
- \*Henry Purkitt, 1828.
- \*Abraham A. Dame, 1829.
- \*William J. Whipple, 1830-32.
- \*James A. Dickson, 1833.
- \*Benjamin B. Appleton, 1834-36.
- \*Simon W. Robinson, 1837.
- \*C. Gayton Pickman, 1838-40.
- \*Winslow Lewis, Sen., 1841-43.
- \*Thomas Power, 1844.
- \*John Hews, 1845.
- \*John R. Bradford, 1846-48.
- \*Thomas M. Vinson, 1849.
- †Asa T. Newhall, 1850, 51.
- \*William Eaton, 1851 (March).
- \*John Flint, 1852.
- \*Rev. Benjamin Huntoon, 1853.
- \*Jonas A. Marshall, M.D., 1854.
- \*Samuel K. Hutchinson, 1855.
- \*Charles R. Train, 1856.
- \*John H. Sheppard, 1857.
- \*Isaac H. Wright, 1858.
- \*Charles Robbins, 1859.
- \*William D. Coolidge, 1860.
- \*Jesse P. Pattee, 1861.
- \*Peter C. Jones, 1862.
- \*Daniel Reynolds, 1863.
- Benjamin Dean, 1864.
- 1865. ¶
- Wyzeman Marshall, 1866.
- Henry Mulliken, 1867.
- George H. Taber, 1868.
- Ivory H. Pope, 1869.
- \*Richard Briggs, 1870.
- E. Waters Burr, 1871.
- \*Tracy P. Cheever, 1872.
- \*Joseph K. Baker, 1873.
- Charles G. Reed, 1874.
- \*Lucius W. Lovell, 1875.
- Daniel Upton, 1876.
- †Charles J. Danforth, 1877.
- Edward Avery, 1877 (June).
- Irving B. Sayles, 1878.
- Henry G. Fay, 1879.
- Otis E. Weld, 1880.
- \*Nathan S. Kimball, 1881.
- Charles C. Spellman, 1882.
- Thomas W. Davis, 1883.
- William H. H. Soule, 1884.
- \*Albert H. Sweetser, 1885.
- George W. Storer, 1886.
- Charles Harris, 1887.
- Dana J. Flanders, 1888.
- Henry G. Wood, 1889.
- George H. Rhodes, 1890.
- Samuel B. Spooner, 1891.
- J. Albert Blake, 1892.
- Henry G. Jordan, 1893.
- Charles S. Robertson, 1894.

## GRAND TREASURERS.

(Not permanent members, *ex officio*.)

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| *John Lowell, 1777-84.           | *Andrew Sigourney, 1810-19. |
| *William Scollay, 1785-87.       | *Elijah Morse, 1820-26.     |
| *Aaron Dexter, 1788, 89.         | *John J. Loring, 1827-48.   |
| *William Little, 1790-92, 95-97. | *Thomas Tolman, 1849-61.    |
| *Samuel Parkman, 1793, 94.       | † John McClellan, 1862-78.  |
| *Thomas Dennie, 1798.            | Samuel Wells, 1879-87.      |
| *Allen Crocker, 1799-1809.       | John Carr, 1888-            |

## RECORDING GRAND SECRETARIES.

(Not permanent members, *ex officio*.)

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|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| *Nathaniel Pierce, 1777.     | *Daniel Oliver, 1795-1802.           |
| *William Hoskins, 1778-81.   | *John Proctor, 1803-11.              |
| *Benjamin Coolidge, 1782-85. | *John Soley, 1812-19.                |
| *John Welch, Jr., 1786.      | *Thomas Power, 1820-33.              |
| *George Richards, 1787.      | *Charles W. Moore, 1834-67.          |
| *Gabriel Helme, 1788.        | ‡ Solon Thornton, 1868-71.           |
| *John Jackson, 1789, 90.     | † \$ Rev. Charles H. Titus, 1871-78. |
| *Joseph Laughton, 1791, 92.  | † Tracy P. Cheever, 1879-81.         |
| *Thomas Farrington, 1793.    | Sereno D. Nickerson, 1882-           |
| *Samuel Colesworthy, 1794.   |                                      |

\* Deceased.

‡ Resigned April 8, 1871.

† Deceased while in office.

\$ Elected June 14, 1871.

¶ This name was stricken from the roll by vote of Grand Lodge, June 11, 1873.



## ORGANIZATION

OF THE

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED  
MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR THE YEAR 1895.

## ELECTED OFFICERS:

- M.W. EDWIN B. HOLMES, Brookline, Grand Master.  
R.W. GEORGE F. WALKER, Stoughton, Senior Grand Warden.  
“ HENRY J. MILLS, East Saugus, Junior Grand Warden.  
“ JOHN CARR, Roxbury, Grand Treasurer.  
“ SERENO D. NICKERSON, Cambridge, Recording Grand Sec'y.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

- M.W. EDWIN B. HOLMES, Brookline, President *ex officio*.  
R.W. CHARLES C. DAME, Newburyport.  
“ SAMUEL WELLS, Boston.  
“ FRANK T. DWINELL, Boston.  
“ CHARLES T. GALLAGHER, Boston.  
“ CHARLES A. WELCH, Cohasset.  
“ SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE, Medford.  
“ HENRY ENDICOTT, Cambridge.  
“ CHARLES C. HUTCHINSON, Lowell.

## AUDITING COMMITTEE:

- W. EDWARD R. PRICE, North Attleboro'.  
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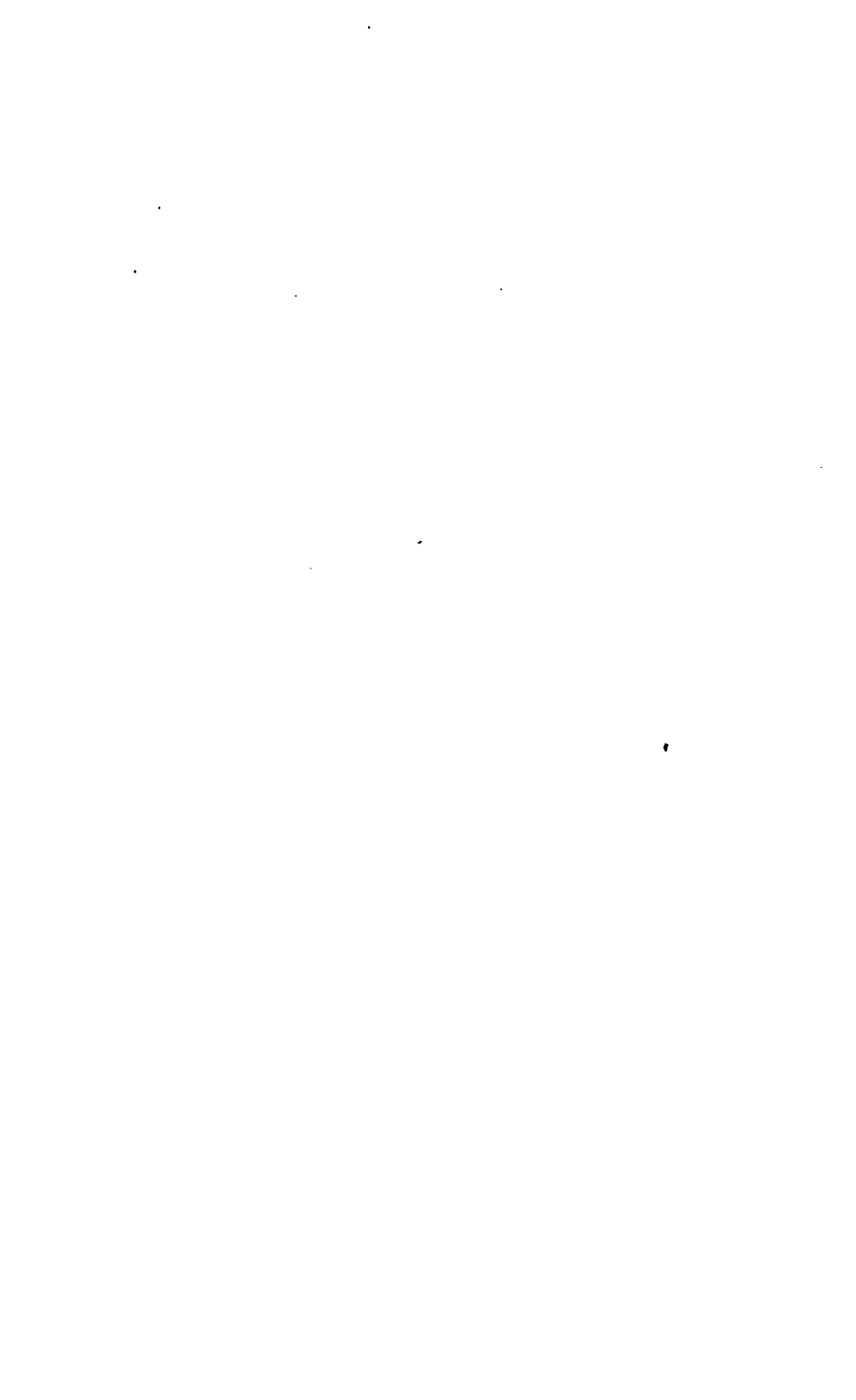
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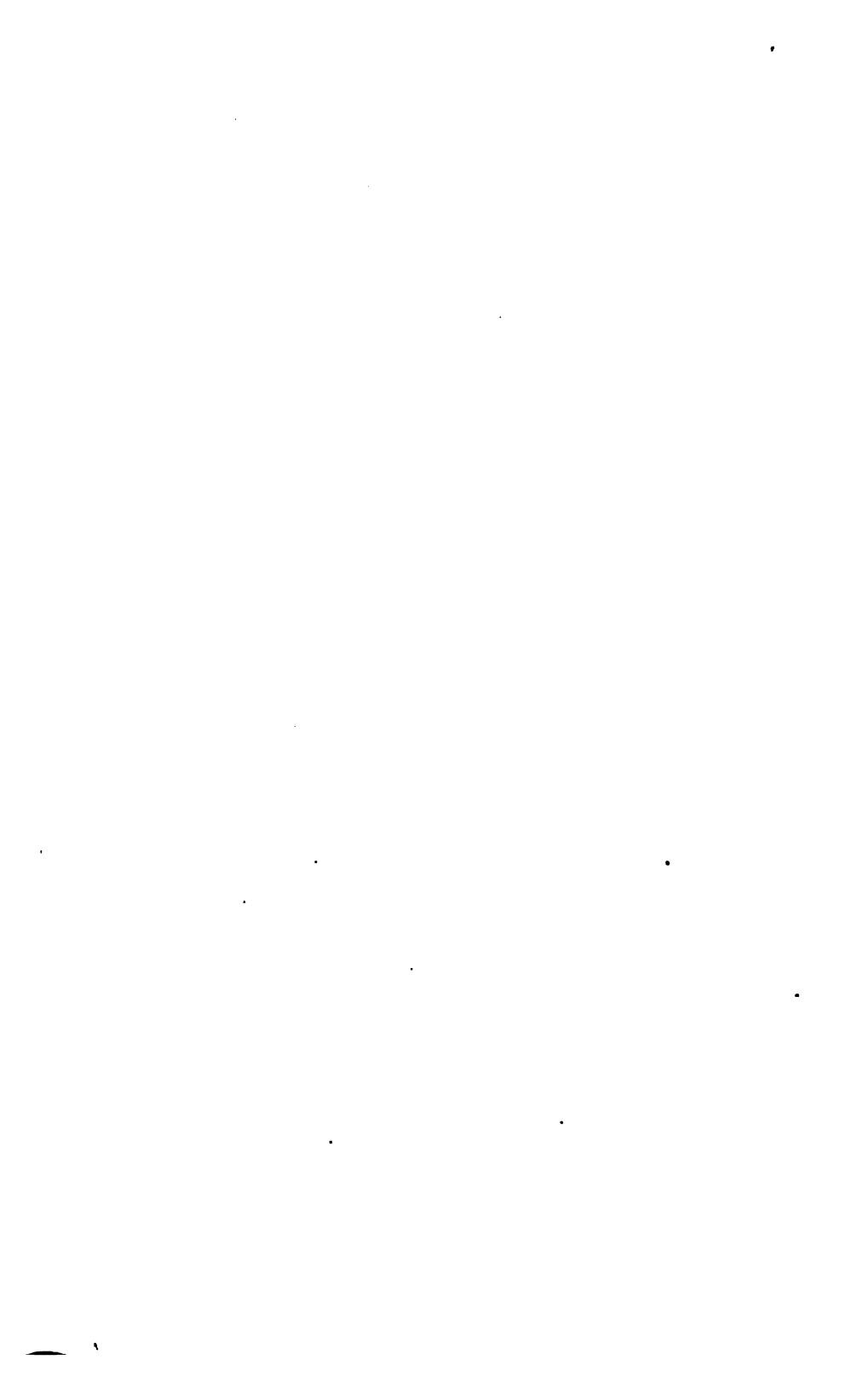
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